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Victim of stabbing murder is identified

A MAN who was stabbed to death at his home in Halesowen has been named locally as David Carpenter.

Police launched a murder investigation after Mr Carpenter, who is in his 40s, was stabbed during a disturbance at his home in Graham Road on Sunday night.

Police said they arrived at about 9pm to find the door forced open and Mr Carpenter collapsed inside. Despite efforts to revive him, he was pronounced dead at the scene.

Neighbours said he lived at the house with his wife and 13-year-old daughter.

The house remains cordoned off with police tape.

At the time of going to press a 49-year-old man arrested on suspicion of murder was in custody.

Another man, aged 28, arrested on suspicion of using violence to secure entry to premises, has been released on bail.

Halesowen sector police Inspector Dez Lambert said: "We have police guarding the house and have officers patrolling the area."

A neighbour, who did not wish to be named, said: "We're all shocked by what happened, nothing like this happens round here."

Tory leader steps down

THE leader of Dudley Council's Tory group has stepped down.

Councillor Les Jones has resigned from a role he has had since replacing former leader Anne Millward in May 2011.

He said there were many reasons for his decision, including personal ones.

Early front-runners to express an interest in the role are deputy group leader, Councillor Tim Wright, and transport spokesman Councillor Patrick Harley.

It follows Tories losing a Stourbridge Town and Wollaston seat to Labour and Co-op Party candidate Barbara Sykes last week.

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A&E WILL RETURN PATIENTS TO GPs

by Sharon Morris

PATIENTS attending the accident and emergency department at Russells Hall Hospital when they do not need to will be sent elsewhere for treatment under a new scheme, health bosses have revealed.

The two-month trial will see patients at the Dudley hospital being sent back to their GP or pharmacist if it is decided their problem is not serious enough for the A&E department.

The move follows the revelation that up to 12 per cent of patients attending A&E did not need hospital treatment and that high demand has forced the hospital to seek extra staff.

Dudley Group of Hospitals NHS Trust Emergency Department consultant, Dr Rajan Paw, explained: "Patients may think hospital is the best place for them, but that is not always the case.

"Patients who attend with minor illnesses prevent doctors and nurses from seeing those patients most in need."

Under the pilot scheme, senior nurses will assess patients on arrival at A&E to decide whether they need urgent treatment.

If not, between 7.30am – 11.30am patients will be redirected to the most appropriate health professional – this could be a GP or pharmacist – or given advice about how to look after themselves. The team will make sure patients have an appointment where necessary before they leave.

Repeatedly

Dudley GP, Dr Steve Mann said: "Some patients visit the Accident & Emergency Department repeatedly with the same symptoms, which do not need hospital treatment. These patients could have received assessment and reassurance from their GP or an alternative service in the borough.

"Patients tell us they go to A&E, even when they know they shouldn't, because they think they might not be able to get a GP appointment, they want a second opinion, or they want a prescription instead of buying medicine.

"These are not valid reasons and they are wasting their time sitting in a hospital waiting room when they could be treated more quickly and conveniently elsewhere."

The trial comes almost two months after doctors took to the internet to give a real-time snapshot of the cases seen in the A&E department, live tweeting during the day.

It was part of a campaign aimed at reducing the number of people unnecessarily going to hospital for treatment.

At the time Dr Rajan Paw said patients had come to A&E with sore throats and headaches.

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Trainees seeing if they can cut it



New trainee skippers – from left, Roy Powis, Archie Hadley and Phil Butler

NEW recruits are learning the history of the region's waterways as they train up to take the helm of narrowboats at a popular Dudley attraction.

Dudley Canal Trust is training three new skippers to take trip boats out for visitors on canals around the Black Country.

The two-month training regime will see the recruits tackling locks, learning to pilot boats, to dock and taking a detailed history lesson on the role of the waterways. Former

Cabbies unhappy at plan for fees rise

THE annual fees taxi drivers pay for licences in Dudley could rise by up to five per cent – sparking calls for a rethink by cabbies.

Dudley Council is looking to increase the costs of applying for and renewing licences from April. A rise of two per cent has been included in the 2013/14 budget but a higher increase of up to five per cent could be approved. Dudley Private Hire and Taxi Association is now urging Dudley Council to reconsider the price hike and freeze charges instead.

Under the plans the cost of a private hire licence will go up from £221.87 to £226.31 if a two-per-cent rise is approved. If a five per cent increase is approved it would take the fee to £232.96.

Chairman Shaz Saleem, who represents 15 companies, said many drivers were already struggling to make a living and support their families because of soaring petrol and insurance costs.

He also said drivers wanted to keep fares low for their customers because of the tough economic climate.

"We are just trying to make a living and it's not an easy job. We work all hours and there can be some risks. We are doing our best to keep our prices as low as possible."

"We would just like the council to consider supporting us by agreeing to freeze the fees for 12 months."

Postal box battle win

RESIDENTS have won their five-year campaign for the return of a postbox to a housing estate in Stourbridge thanks to their MP.

It had been removed following the closure of Pedmore Post Office, Hagley Road, in 2008.

Residents said they had to walk a mile to their nearest post box which was not convenient. The chairman of Pedmore Senior Citizens Club, Dorothy Clarke, contacted Stourbridge MP Margaret James to urge her to support a replacement.

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Councillor's fear on college merger

A TORY councillor says a merger plan for Stourbridge College is "deplorable" and could lead to asset-stripping. It is proposed to join Birmingham Metropolitan College.

Councillor Liz Walker, criticised the college's proposal, which is open for consultation until February 27. She claimed it should have consulted first about whether there should be any merger – and then considered forming a trust with

local schools, Dudley or Halesowen colleges.

The college says it followed "due process" with Metropolitan identified as the best option – and denies it is in financial trouble.

It also says there is no fear that Birmingham Metropolitan would strip assets and pointed out that, after mergers with other organisations, the city-based college had invested in new facilities. Councillor

Walker said: "A lot of Stourbridge College's land was given by the Feoffes – trustees – of Oldswinford Hospital School and I am concerned that, if there is a merger, Birmingham Metropolitan College could sell off land, including the Longlands site, which would be asset-stripping. I understand the need for merger because of the financial difficulties that Stourbridge College is in. The college should have first con-

sulted about the need for a merger and then, if a merger was decided upon, approached local schools about setting up a trust with them or Dudley or Halesowen College."

Principal Lynette Cutting, said the proposed merger followed a thorough options appraisal which looked at all local colleges' financial health as well as potential benefits for students in terms of employer links and job opportunities.

Seized catering chicken found with salmonella

CONTAMINATED chicken has been stopped from finding its way into the nation's sandwiches after a crackdown by Dudley Council.

Environmental health officers seized 16,000 bags of chicken in the borough that had been imported from China via Ireland – and discovered three-quarters of the chicken contained salmonella, which can cause food poisoning.

Extension for dentist's surgery has green light

PLANS to extend a dental surgery have been approved. Oakleigh Dental Practice in Spies Lane, Halesowen, applied for a single-storey front extension and two-storey rear extension.

The extension is to allow the surgery to have a larger room for implant surgery and the increased staff needed for that.

The proposal prompted four letters of objection, however. One of those objectors was from neighbour David Taylor.

He told a meeting of Dudley Council's development control committee he was worried about having the surgery extended.

He added: "The extension would overlook my rear garden."

There had also been a petition against the plans which was signed by 44 residents worried about the lack of car-parking in the area. The surgery has a small parking area with room for up to three cars.

Councillor Colin Wilson said: "I wasn't too happy with the plans to begin with but when I read there will only be two to three patients a day I thought it wouldn't make any difference."

At a hearing last week a district court judge ordered the entire 41 tons of chicken must be destroyed.

At Dudley Magistrates' Court, Richard Essex, for Dudley Council, revealed just how bad the situation could have been.

He said: "Finnish authorities have reported a nasty outbreak in the country and tests show the chicken was from the same batch."

The frozen cooked chicken, worth £104,000, had been produced in China and imported into the UK by food brokers Food-Bridge, based in Ireland.

It was being kept in a cold-store in Dudley and was bound for the catering trade.

Its movement was stopped after council officers were tipped off by Irish authorities.

Swift

They tested the first batch, finding 75 per cent of it contaminated, and tested the second batch finding salmonella in two samples.

Councillor Tracy Wood, cabinet member for environment and culture, said: "The swift action taken by environmental health officers has undoubtedly prevented a potentially serious food poisoning outbreak."

District Judge Michael Wheeler ordered the contaminated chicken be destroyed. He also awarded the council £2,440 in costs.

Mr Essex said: "There was no blame attached to those importing the food."

"They just happened to be the unfortunate recipient of this chicken and they weren't the first."

New home is a real belter



Hardeep Johal, and Sensei James Moclair at the Tai Jutsu Kwai Martial Arts Centre

A MARTIAL arts club in Dudley has secured its future after finding a new home.

Tai Jutsu Kwai Martial Arts Centre reopened on the upper floor of Plaza Mall in Dudley last month.

Owner James Moclair made the move after customers were concerned by alleged drug use near the centre's former base in High Street.

Mr Moclair says he has spent £3,000 converting the room space into a martial arts centre.

He said: "I'm delighted – where we are now is 100 per cent better than where we were before, and my users agree."

"Parents of children didn't like the former base and I had to take action to move to secure our future."

"I've been running this place for 18 years, and I hope to continue here another long-term period."

The centre has about 125 members

attending 10 different classes, which include Ju-Jutsu, Kempo Karate, Kids Karate and Ko-Budo.

Mr Moclair, aged 56, has eight martial art grades and has represented England in World Championships, including the World Ju Jutsu Demonstration Championships in 1986, where he won gold. His decision to move the centre has been welcomed by the co-owner of the Plaza Mall.

Tony Swannie said the mini-shopping centre was thriving, and the addition of the martial arts centre would bring a further boost to traders. There are 52 small businesses operating within the centre.

Mr Swannie said: "The martial arts centre coming here is a win-win situation."

"We provide the centre with an adequate space, and it provides the surrounding business with extra footfall."

Anyone wanting to join the martial arts centre should call 07815 676950.

Number of attacks on medics show fall

FEWER ambulance staff are being assaulted at work, latest figures claim.

West Midlands Ambulance Service recorded 95 assaults on its staff between April and October 2012 – an average of almost 14 each month.

This was down from 142 during the same period in the previous year. Chief executive Anthony Marsh said at the organisation's board meeting the figures were a positive sign but the trust was not resting on its laurels.

He added: "While the figures have reduced we are not complacent and will continue to do everything we can to protect our staff."

One of the reasons for the decline in the number of assaults on ambulance staff could be the conflict resolution training introduced at the trust about three years ago, he said.

Last year there were also 186 reports of verbal abuse on staff and 201 "near miss" reports. This is when an ambulance worker fears an assault is imminent but it does not happen. These numbers compared to 302 cases of verbal abuse and 253 near misses in 2011.

Man, 90, hit by lorry dies

A 90-year-old man has died after being hit by a skip lorry.

He was knocked down at the junction of Brierley Hill High Street and Level Street last week.

Police officers alerted to the accident by passers-by tried to save the man with CPR.

He was taken to Russells Hall Hospital, but was pronounced dead on arrival.

The driver of the skip lorry, believed to be in his 50s, was taken to hospital for shock.

Police closed the road for up to four hours, causing queues of traffic to build up around the town.

Police meeting

RESIDENTS in Stourbridge can air their views at a police forum on March 6. It will take place at St Thomas's Church, Market Street and is for people living in the town centre and Wollaton. The meeting will start at 7pm.

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Meet to drum up support

DUDLEY Hippodrome campaigners are making a fresh plea for support after re-arranging a public meeting previously cancelled due to bad weather.

They want to inspire residents by revealing the business plans they have drawn up showing how the old theatre would play host to the leading lights of the West End stage.

Dozens of photographs have been taken inside the Castle Hill theatre to give people an idea of how it looks now and what work is needed.

The meeting takes place on February 10 at the Station Hotel.

It was previously cancelled at the last minute due to snow on January 20. Dudley Council officials are yet to fix a date for a meeting to hear the planning application to demolish the hippodrome.

But the business plan has been sent for assessment to independent auditors in Hereford. Friends of Dudley Hippodrome spokesman Geoff Fitzpatrick says the group is eager to discover their findings on the document.

The meeting starts at 6.30pm at the hotel on the corner of Trindle Road and Castle Hill.

Boat set to be scrapped

A BOAT-BUILDING project in Dudley is officially over – and the vessel, which had been earmarked for a round-the-world voyage, is now making its way to Italy for scrap.

Adventurer Alan Priddy was forced to abandon his 18-month boat-building project after a fire ripped through the Dudley warehouse where it was being built.

Although the blaze happened last May at the Micklewrights unit in the Thornleigh Trading Estate, Mr Priddy only found out about the extent of the damage towards the end of the year, and decided it would not be safe to continue.

Focus on news

HAGLEY Wives and Women's Fellowship will hear news of the newspapers when Vanessa Morgan gives a talk on February 12.

On February 26, Brian Draper will give an insight into River Severn wildlife. Both talks start at 8pm in St Saviours's Church Hall.

Vice girl guilty of murdering businessman



Emma Bate

A PROSTITUTE and her boyfriend have been found guilty of murdering a former Dudley businessman during a night-time raid on his home.

Emma Bate and Paramjit Singh broke into Richard Sherratt's flat in Bridgnorth in a midnight robbery set up by Bate to fund her drug addiction.

During the break-in, Mr Sherratt, aged 57, who had lived in Kinver and Stourbridge, suffered a total of 38 injuries including five blows to the head,

a stab wound to his arm and wounds on his face and neck.

The property developer died within an hour of the attack and was found the next day semiconscious on his blood-stained bed.

Police said he had been the victim of a "callous and brutal ordeal".

Hours after the murder Bate and Singh were filmed on CCTV embracing and apparently celebrating. At Stafford Crown Court Bate, formerly of Cannock, was found guilty of the

murder of Mr Sherratt in June last year.

Bate, aged 26, of Gladstone Street, Birmingham, denied murder, but admitted robbing Mr Sherratt.

Singh, 33, of Willmore Road, Birmingham, admitted murdering, robbing and defrauding Mr Sherratt.

Bate put her head in her hands as the jury returned its verdict. As she was led away she looked and smirked at Mr Sherratt's 24-year-old daughter

Jennie, who had been a witness.

Judge Simon Tonking said: "I am bound to be sentencing both these defendants to life imprisonment." They will be sentenced on March 1.

A third person, Michael Smith, 51, of Horton Street, Tipton, drove the pair to and from Mr Sherratt's home in Old School Mews. He denied robbery and was found not guilty.

As the guilty verdict was read out Jennie had grasped hands with her brother Joseph, 28.



Richard Sherratt

Tory leader steps down as tensions grow in the party

DUDLEY'S former council leader Councillor Les Jones has resigned as Conservative leader amid growing tensions within the party.

Councillor Jones said there were personal reasons for his decision to quit as Tory leader, but he said there were suggestions he had been "failing" in his duties so had decided to go for the sake of party unity. The Conservative group suffered



Councillor Les Jones

the blow of losing last week's council by-election, failing to hold on to the seat of long-standing councillor Malcolm Knowles who died last year.

Dudley Council is already controlled by Labour after the Tory majority collapsed at last May's elections.

Councillor Jones said there were conflicting arguments within the group over their direction in the wake of crucial budget proposals by Labour, including a potential council tax rise.

"In recent months there has been a lot of noise from

by Andrew Turton

smaller sections of our Conservative group that I was failing in my role as leader," he said.

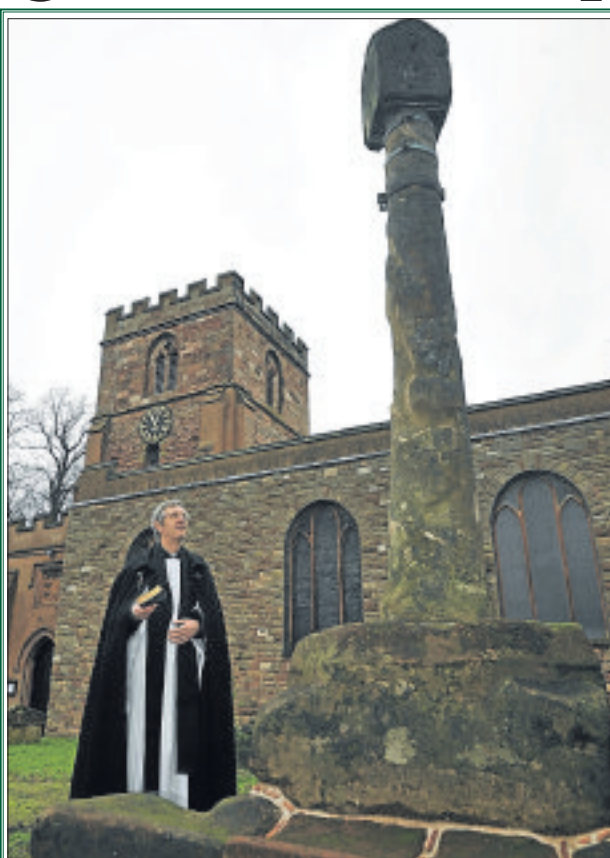
"It has impacted on the way that we fought the Wollaston and Stourbridge Town by-election. Therefore I've taken my decision in the interests of party unity.

"I had made by decision four or five weeks ago before the by-election and hadn't wanted it to get in the way of the campaign," he said.

He refuted accusations that his leadership was failing, adding: "I think that I was an effective and hard working leader.

"I brought a lot of commonsense to the way the council performed and the savings made to protect frontline services."

Councillor Jones said he was "sad" to step down but was proud of his role, citing key regeneration schemes including Stourbridge's Crown Centre among examples of his achievements.



Rev Giles Kendall and the preaching cross at St Mary's

Ancient preaching cross is restored

A MEDIEVAL preaching cross has been restored in a £12,000 church project.

The 20ft-high cross which stands in the grounds of St Mary's in Kingswinford dates to around 1340.

English Heritage awarded a cash grant to pay for the extensive restoration work, which was carried out by stonemason Brad Steele.

The preaching crosses often pre-dated the churches and were used by travelling preachers.

They were used as a focal where people could gather and listen to sermons or the gospels in the open air.

The cross at St Mary's is rumoured to have also been the site where sentences were announced for guilty criminals tried at the nearby court house, which still stands but is now a restaurant.

Churchwarden Bob Green, said: "The church is delighted that one of the oldest monuments in Kingswinford has been saved for future generations."

NEWS in brief

Home facing big fine over death

A CARE home faces a hefty fine after a 91-year-old dementia sufferer died when she went missing from the facility.

Hilda Fairweather, who was from Kidderminster, died from hypothermia after walking out of the Able View care home in Iwerley, near Stourbridge, in January 2009.

At Stafford Crown Court, Mr Paul Russell QC appeared on behalf of the home for a hearing to set a date for sentencing of the firm. It will be after April 29.

Dragons' Den for business students

BUSINESS students will be thrown straight into the 'Dragons' Den' with the launch of a new enterprise academy bearing the name of the programme's star Peter Jones.

Dudley College is celebrating after being chosen to host one of 36 Peter Jones Enterprise Academies. The idea is the brainchild of the Dragons' star, who launched the first accredited course for teaching enterprise and entrepreneurship to students. The course is due to start in September.

Centre staging Farm Boy show

NETHERTON Arts Centre is hosting a production of Farm Boy, by award-winning former Children's Laureate Michael Morpurgo.

Two performances will take place on February 26 at Netherton Arts Centre, Northfield Road. A general public performance will take place at 4.30pm and a school-group-only session is scheduled for 1.30pm.

Beauty salon bid is given approval

PLANS for a beauty and tanning salon in Brierley Hill have been approved.

Diane Breeze, of Bronz Bodz, had lodged an application for a change of use for the second and third floors of a property with Dudley Council. Planning officers have given the scheme the go-ahead. The business will be open from 9.30am to 9pm.

Charity shop plea

A CHARITY shop in Kidderminster is looking for donations and volunteers.

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THE INTERNET is a great blessing but, like all great technological leaps forward it brings its fair share of crooks. Home Office minister Jeremy Browne claims that cyber-crime, coupled with mass immigration, has created an estimated 7,500 crime gangs. Some days it feels like more, doesn't it? A tidal wave of casual crime has crept up on us from nowhere. There was a time, not so long ago, when the average law-abiding British citizen might encounter a conman once or possibly twice in a lifetime. Now, the phone rings three or four times a day with dodgy offers from criminals who want to take your money off you.

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A READER has been bending my ear on the subject of what was once called gay marriage, then same-sex marriage and now appears to be known as "equal marriage." He declares zealously: "The people who oppose equal marriage hold rather a low opinion of some of their fellow humans." In other words, the only possible reason for opposing it is that you hate gays. Quite how he squares this with the views of many gays who oppose equal marriage is not explained. But for the record, the latest thinking from Government lawyers in Whitehall is that equal marriage will require no act of consummation, and adultery will not be grounds for divorce – unless the adultery is with someone of the opposite sex. In what way is that equal? In what way is that marriage?

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A READER writes: "I do not understand the controversy about same-sex marriage. When you've been married long enough, the sex is the same."

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FOLLOWING my item on the metrication of snowfall, a reader asks: How big does a snowdrift have to be before it turns from millimetres into feet? Good question. I believe the changeover happens at about 2ft. In much the same way, the temperature these days is measured in Centigrade until it hits about 22 when, for no apparent reason, everything turns into Fahrenheit and we're suddenly in the Sizzling Seventies.

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A READER laments all this metric nonsense and longs for the days when we enjoyed imperial simplicity. "It was so easy," he recalls. "There were 12 inches in a foot, and 12 pence in a shilling. Therefore 100 pennies equalled 8ft 4ins and 90 inches was seven and sixpence." Ah, blissful days.

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HUNDREDS of British troops are going to help out our old friends the French with their post-imperial troubles in Mali. Do not take comfort from Mr Cameron's pledge that our troops will be trainers, not fighters. Most British deaths in Afghanistan over the past two years have been "green-on-blue" killings by the very Afghan soldiers and police we are supposed to be training.

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AND don't mistake bad news for good news. The headline: "Timbuktu falls without a shot fired" could also read: "Islamist guerrillas slip away with vehicles and weapons intact".

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A READER catching up on past episodes of Homeland (C4) noticed the title sequences referred to "The George Bush Centre of Intelligence." Are we all smiling?

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

Lions must take pride in appearance

THE thought of lions going on a diet to help them fight the flab and avoid becoming fat cats may sound like a joke, but that's the responsibility of just one Dudley vet at West Midland Safari Park.

The latest revelations show that humans are not the only creatures that sometimes have to watch the calories. For the 12 rare white lions – the park's star attractions – who

spend much of their day idly sitting around watching us watching them, piling on the pounds can be a problem.

Veterinary nurse Sarah Smith, from Stourbridge, takes pride in their appearance as it is one of the many aspects of her fascinating job to ensure the lions keep in trim.

The four original lions were introduced to the Bewdley attraction in

2004 at a cost of around £250,000.

She says: "Most of the pride have lost quite a lot of weight now and they are looking very good, although we still have a couple of the older girls that are taking a bit more time. A lion needs to be lean and athletic. In the wild obviously the large carnivores wouldn't eat as regularly as they do in captivity. So becoming overweight can become an issue.

They're fed every two days here, while in the wild they might not eat for a week."

The fitness regime for the lions is just a tiny part of an extraordinary behind-the-scenes veterinary regime involving every single one of the park's 1,700 animals. Everything from cockroaches, meerkats and lemurs, to elephants and tigers come under Sarah's care.

Modest tram driver Phil shuns being called hero

A TRAM train driver has shunned being called a hero for averting a possible crash after a tree fell on to the track in Stourbridge as ferocious winds battered the region.

Phil Tonks was driving the Stourbridge Shuttle service from the Junction to the Town stations and managed to draw to a halt when he saw a 30ft tall tree had crashed down and was blocking the track ahead.

The 42-year-old and a colleague moved the tree out of the way before continuing the journey.

One of the dozen passengers on board tweeted later: "I should report to twitter lives were saved today by heroic train driver Phil Tonks when the Stourbridge Shuttle track was blocked by a tree".

Modest Mr Tonks, who has been a train driver for just over a year, said: "That's a bit of an exaggeration because we were only going at 10 to 15mph – we were hardly hurtling down on a main line.

Pieces

"We stopped in good time and a colleague and I were able to lift the tree off the track because it had smashed into pieces when it landed, so wasn't that heavy. The whole thing took a couple of minutes and we were on our way again in about four minutes."

Mr Tonks, of Chapel Street, Wordsley, is also a DJ for the local Bridge radio station.

The Shuttle is the only train that runs on the three-quarter-mile stretch from the Town station, next to Stourbridge bus interchange, and the main line Junction station.

The high winds sent trees crashing down across the West Midlands – blocking roads, disrupting train services and causing chaos for commuters.

Gym raises cash for little Kelli



Unique Fitness, has raised money for Kelli Smith who needs specialist treatment. With Kelli is grandmother Carole Smith, aged 53, and managers: Raj Kaur, 44 and Jas Kaur, 22. A DUDLEY gym has raised more than £400 for a youngster with cancer.

Unique Fitness held an event to raise funds for Kelli Smith. The four-year-old has neuroblastoma and is battling three new tumours in her abdomen.

After a gruelling session of chemotherapy, Kelli's family thought her cancer had gone. She has now unfortunately relapsed.

The Wellington Road gym's spokesman

Jas Kaur said: "There is no treatment protocol in the UK for relapsed neuroblastoma. However, there are options abroad, which will cost in excess of £500,000." Kelli, who lives in Sutton Coldfield, attracted the interest of the gym's staff after one of them mentioned knowing Kelli's family. A ladies' night last year raised £460 and this was presented to the family.

Miss Kaur said: "We love helping out."

Views on revamp are to be published

THE results of a consultation on plans to revamp a Dudley town will be published in the spring.

Dudley Council wants to improve the Windmill Hill area of Cradley to help attract more shoppers.

Residents were asked for their views on the proposals which include new benches, public artwork and bus shelters in the summer.

The feedback will be published in a report going before councillors in the coming months.

It will be used to form funding bids to cover the cost of the work later in the year.

Councillor Shaikat Ali, said: "We have been talking to the community including schools about potential improvements for Cradley and Windmill Hill which could be worked up into projects to make the area greener, give better access and make the area more attractive."

"We will be bringing feedback from those who have responded together for a report in the spring."

"The feedback has been very useful and will be used to further strengthen our case in future funding bids."

Link up to beat crooks

STORES across the region have teamed up with police to launch a scheme to tackle thieves selling stolen goods.

Goods offered for sale which arouse suspicion will be checked against a national database to check they are not registered stolen or lost.

Officers at West Midlands Police are working with stores including Cash Converters, Cash Generator, Cex and others.

They will use the Check-MEND database that links with the national database Immobilise, insurance companies, credit agreements and police systems.

Quiz raises cash

A QUIZ at Clent, near Stourbridge, raised £385 for the Multiple Sclerosis Trust.

Helen Beasley, from Romsley, near Halesowen, whose sister, Jane Dunham, of Wolverley, has MS, is raising money as part of her 50th birthday celebrations.

She organised the quiz, held at the French Hen in Clent,

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Scheme for £2.1m flats is unveiled

A £2.1 MILLION project to build apartments for adults with learning disabilities in Dudley has been unveiled.

Council bosses have earmarked land in Sedgley and Wollaston for the housing developments.

The council is now applying for £385,000 from the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) to complete the cost of funding the schemes.

It was revealed in a report by Dudley Council leader David Sparks and Councillor Khurshid Ahmed.

The authority wants to create six supported apartments, helping people with learning disabilities to live independently, and three general needs houses at The Walk, Sedgley.

It is also proposing eight supported apartments in Norfolk Road, Wollaston.

The report says: "There remains considerable demand for appropriate homes where people with learning disabilities can live independently with support."

"The bid will provide additional affordable housing, particularly in areas where there is a shortage of appropriate dwellings. It will also contribute towards regeneration and the use of infill land which is currently vacant."

Centre helps to raise cash

WORKERS and shoppers at Dudley's Merry Hill Centre have raised more than £4,000 for Save the Children.

During the festive period, there were fundraising activities including a skate-off to celebrate National Christmas Jumper Day, busking sessions, and limited edition Christmas baubles which were sold for the charity.

Team members at the centre's Matalan store raised more than £600.

All of the money has gone towards Save the Children's No Child Born to Die campaign. Launched by the charity in January 2011, the campaign aims to save the lives of millions of children under five who are dying from preventable or treatable illnesses.

Hotel changing

A HOTEL will be converted into a house, after plans were approved by Dudley Council. Victory Outreach UK has received permission to revamp The Hawthorns Hotel in The Hayes, Lye.

Workers in daily blitz to repair road damage

ROAD workers are carrying out daily repairs in a blitz on potholes in the Dudley borough which have appeared during the freezing conditions which have swept across the region.

The move comes as neighbouring councils bring in extra teams to target damaged roads.

There has been a nationwide problem with potholes after the recent snow and ice crippled the country over the last two weeks.

Crews in Dudley are monitoring the condition of the borough's streets and

also responding to calls from the public and be able to carry out immediate repairs.

Dudley's transport councillor Judy Foster said: "Last year's rainfall and the recent freezing temperatures and snowfall have had a detrimental impact on the national highway network and we are continuing to assess its impact."

Footpaths

"We are currently carrying out daily repairs to carriageways and footpaths that are both part of our programmed

works and following reports from the public."

Eighteen teams of workers, seven more than usual, are ready to tour Worcestershire to find and fix any problems on the roads now milder conditions have returned.

Officials say they will be able to tackle as many as 200 potholes each day should they need to.

Only a few weeks ago it was announced that the road maintenance programme in the county would benefit from an extra £3.2million in funding from central Gov-

ernment during the next two years.

In Sandwell, four two-man squads are touring the borough to find the damaged roads, and are fixing them as soon as they are spotted.

Logging

Sandwell Council deputy leader Councillor Steve Eling said: "These squads will be on the road all day. As they find a pothole they will deal with it."

"There is no logging it and doing the job a week later, this is immediate action."

Borough's foster care must be improved, say inspectors

FOSTER care services in Dudley are only meeting minimum standards, according to a new report which has led to inspectors ordering a series of improvements.

Ofsted inspectors have rated services as "adequate" and stated foster parents needed more training from Dudley Council. The inspection report also highlighted concerns on levels of staff sickness which "has led to difficulties in completing some fostering tasks". Councillor Tim Crumpton responded to the report. He said the authority would address all issues raised during the inspection. Inspectors Suzanne

Young and Dawn Bennett called for improvements to be made to training for foster carers and members of the fostering household, recruitment and documentation to children.

"The fostering service provides an adequate quality of care for children and young people," the report states.

"The management team is focused on improving and developing the fostering provision."

"They understand the strengths and weaknesses of the service and have a clear awareness of the direction of travel required to further improve the service."

Unhappy

"Foster carers are generally satisfied with the fostering service, although staff sickness has led to difficulties in completing some fostering tasks."

"As a result some foster carers have been unhappy with the service they have received."

"Staff sickness within the authority has also meant that it is only recently that all looked-after children and young people have been allocated a social worker."

Dudley has 256 approved foster carers with 565 children and young people in care across the borough.

Councillor Crumpton said: "We are, in the round, pleased with the report and the praise from inspectors for our education standards and the positive relationships between young people and foster carers."

Singers at church

THE Clent Hills Singers will be at St Saviour's Church Hagley on March 16. The choir welcomes new members. Call Anne or Jeff Byrne on 01384 340600, or Wendy Pettit on 01562 730248 for information.

Holocaust survivors on visits



Holocaust survivor Lia Lesser with pupils at Belle Vue Primary School, Tom Jansco, Amber McDonald, Adam Maitland and Abbi Davies

HOLOCAUST survivors visited schools and colleges in Dudley to remember and honour the millions who died as a result of genocide.

Among the guests was survivor Lia Lesser who was given a warm welcome by pupils in Wordsley. Mrs Lesser, of Birmingham, talked to Year 6 children at Belle Vue Primary School about her experiences.

The school's deputy head Claire Davies said: "She spoke about her life and how the Holocaust affected her family."

A service organised at Dudley College by

MP Ian Austin and the Students' Union was attended by another survivor Eva Clarke.

Mrs Clarke was born in the Mauthausen Concentration Camp three days before it was liberated by allied troops. Although she and her mother survived, over the course of the war 15 members of her family died.

Mr Austin said: "This event was about remembering those who died and also thanking those local heroes, such as Frank Foley and the many other war veterans whom I have met."

NEWS in brief

Developer's plan for flats rejected

PLANS to convert a former 19th century glass maker's home in the heart of Dudley into flats have been refused by heritage chiefs who feared too many historical features would be removed.

An application for alterations has been lodged for the Grade II listed terrace in Wolverhampton Street.

In a report, he said there was no objection to the property becoming housing, but the authority could not support the proposed alterations. The developer wanted to create five flats.

Jobseeker claims showing a drop

THE number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance in the Dudley borough fell again last month.

The total was down by 52 to 10,064, or 5.2 per cent of the borough's working population.

In Wyre Forest there was also a fall of 26 to 2,188 (3.6 per cent) and South Staffordshire was down by 11 to 1,646 (2.4 per cent). For the West Midlands as a whole, the total fell by 1,604.

Chance to be a museum pirate

PIRATES and Adventures with Alice are among an adventurous programme of events planned at Worcestershire County Museum, near Stourport.

The museum, at Hartlebury Castle, will also host a Festival of Transport and a country fair.

The new Pirate School event will be over August Bank Holiday, when children can be a pirate for the day. Call 01299 250416.

Free philosophy talks at library

A SERIES of free philosophy talks are taking place at Halesowen Library throughout the year.

They will all be on a different subject and held in the Shenstone Theatre on Level 7 of the library between 5.45pm and 6.45pm.

The talks are on March 27, May 29, July 31, September 25 and November 27.

Yoga sessions

YOGA for pregnancy is held at Barnardo's Riverside Children's Centre, in Stourport Road, Bewdley, on Fridays at 9.45am. Book places on 01299 409169.

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LETTERS

Beware of wishy, washy promise

TO those seriously gullible people who were hoping for the chance to vote on whether or not this country should remain part of the European Union dictatorship and who are now rejoicing at the prospect of an in/out referendum promised by David Cameron, I would urge them to look at the facts.

Believe it when they see it and ask the question: "Who will be allowed to vote?"

If it happens at all (and we all know what's happened to previous referendum promises), David Cameron's ref-

erendum will not happen for at least another four years.

And even then, it's dependent on a Conservative Government, led by Cameron himself, being elected outright in 2015.

At the moment, the daunting prospect of another New Labour Government and Ed Miliband as Prime Minister, looks on the cards for 2015, especially as the Liberal Democrats are facing total annihilation following their betrayal of their own supporters and the British electorate generally.

And New Labour are not offering a referendum. In the meantime, on January 1 next year, the UK will be opening its door to people from two of the most deprived countries in Europe, when 29 million from Romania and Bulgaria will be entitled to come here.

And no wishy, washy promises from David Cameron about what might happen in four years time, is going to stop that happening!

MR R A SARGEANT
Corporation Road
Dudley

Russells Hall staff should be praised

I HAVE to say my experience of a stay in Russells Hall Hospital was not like the ones that have been you printed.

It was cleaned several times a day walls floors doors toilet sinks the lot.

I don't think we realise how lucky we are to have a first class service at the point it's needed.

There will always be the exception where things go wrong, when there are so many people to see and sort out.

I went in through accident and emergency, so saw the staff working all-out to help and relieve peoples ailments.

But some cases should have gone to a walk-in centre not A&E.

It's time to congratulate our hospital not keep kicking it down.

ELAINE TAYLOR
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Prostate test was received gratefully

HAVING seen an advertisement about a free prostate test and a chat to a consultant at St Thomas Hall, Stourbridge, for the 45 years and over, I decided to make an appointment.

When I attended with my wife we were treated with the utmost professional attention. We would like to thank Mr David Baxter-Smith and all of his staff for the time that they had given to me and many others on the day.

There was no charge as this is a charitable trust but a donation is optional.

Hopefully, if they generate enough funds, they will be back in April and carry on with this good work. Once again, many thanks to the Graham Fulford Trust for raising prostate awareness.

By the way, I was lucky enough to get a green PSA result.

MR P COPE
Longboat Lane
Wordsley

Good job rescuer ignored EU edict

WHAT a wonderful story in the news recently, telling of how six-month-old Sam Stevens was rescued from the freezing sea at Watchet, Somerset, by the quick reactions of 63-year-old harbour-master George Reeder, who, in the words of the boy's father, came out of nowhere without hesitation and dived in to save the little boy.

Fortunately, Mr Reeder had not read the EU health and safety edict that forbids anyone from attempting to rescue anyone from water if it is more than ankle deep.

This unfortunately occurred in Gosport some months ago when a so-called specialist team of emergency rescue firemen were called to rescue a 41-year-old man who was lying face down in a few inches of water, sadly they stood by the EU directive and the poor man died.

What a pity that there aren't a few more George Reeders around and a few less preposterous EU health and safety regulations.

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£8,700 bill for the big question over rise in tax

A PUBLIC consultation by Dudley Council asking if residents would accept a two per cent increase or above in council tax will cost taxpayers up to £8,700.

Opposition councillors say big budget decisions may be taken before consultation - dubbed The Big Question - ends. The council say consultation will be paid for out of savings by axing payments made to councillors on now defunct area committees. Five area committees will become nine smaller community forum groups starting next month.

The council says it will save £8,783 in a move to cover "all the costs of a consultation" launched at the end of November after funding pressures on services.

A cabinet meeting on February 12 looking at spending for the next 12 months takes place more than two weeks before consultation ends on February 28.

Tory finance spokesman, Councillor David Blood, in a letter to the press, said it was "alarming" that the meeting was on February 12 but paperwork for it will have been prepared at least 10 working days prior.

"It would appear this whole exercise has been ill-thought-out, a waste of many thousands of pounds of resident's money and a complete sham," he said.

Council finance boss Councillor Pete Lowe said they had a firm commitment to carry out a meaningful consultation and results would help ensure decision making took into account views of the people.

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New dance classes at hotel

A DUDLEY hotel is holding a new series of dance classes every Sunday night.

The ballroom dancing sessions will be held weekly between 2.30pm and 5pm at the Station Hotel, Castle Hill.

Sessions cost £2.50 and feature singers with ballroom and sequence dancing. For details on sessions call 01384 253418.

Major drama at museum



The cast of *Dancing on the Edge* film at the Black Country Living Museum

TWO of the region's leading tourist attractions will feature in a major television drama series.

Leading actors were film on location at Dudley's Black Country Living Museum and the Severn Valley Railway. Both of which feature in the BBC 2 period drama *Dancing on the Edge* led by Hollywood star John Goodman who has been in major hits such as *The Big Lebowski* and *Oh Brother Where Art*



John Goodman

Thou? and was the voice of Sully from Disney/Pixar's massive hit *Monsters Inc.*

Bosses said they hoped the programme would lead to more production companies seeking to use the

attractions for filming high-profile shows.

The drama tells the story of a group of black, jazz musicians, the Louis Lester Band, as they find fame among the parties of London's high society. Writer and director Stephen Poliakoff takes the helm of the lavish production.

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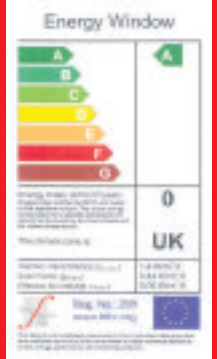
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NEWS

Scout hut reopened



Mayoress Michelle Mottram, Mayor Melvyn Mottram, with Alex Gardner, aged 13, Sam Bradley, 10, Georgia Hemming, nine, and Will Bradley, seven, and group scout leader Eric Watson at the opening of the hut

SCOUT and Guide leaders from past and present celebrated the reopening of a hut in Stourbridge after £170,000 of work.

The 15th Stourbridge Scouts and Norton Guides' moved to the building in Kempton Way, Norton in 1972.

Past and current leaders tied reef knots to symbolise the branch's strength and Dudley Mayor Melvyn Mottram officially opened the base - also available for community use.

The scout and guide group has more than 100 members and uses the base four nights a week. As work was done the group used a scout hut in South Road, Stourbridge.

The scout hut was bought originally bought from Dudley Zoo for £3,000.

Pair forged documents in £22,000 fraud case

A COUPLE pocketed almost £22,000 in a "breath-taking" two-year benefits fraud at a string of different addresses and which involved forged documents, a court was told.

by John Scott

Jade Brown, aged 25, and 26-year-old David Stone forged documents and repeatedly lied that they were not living together despite having two children, one of whom was born during the scam.

They claimed housing and council tax relief, income support and job seekers allowance, even though he was in regular work, the court heard on Wednesday.

In 2008 the couple, who had lived together since 2006, moved from Henry Price House, Oldbury, to Wales after he got a new job, said prosecutor Mark Jackson.

Brown and Stone, who was an assistant manager with Marriott Hotels in Swansea, continued the fraud following their move to a nearby house and persisted, following another job switch, when they moved to South Bank Road, Cradley Heath. They forged, Cranley agreements to make it seem Brown was living alone and she said in a conversation

with benefits staff she did not know Stone.

Meanwhile, she had shown off their newborn daughter to his workmates and bragged on Facebook about them being engaged for years.

She also told benefits officers not to worry about state payouts covering only £100 of their £150-a-week rent, because she would have no trouble making up the shortfall.

Brown and Stone, who started work as a school caretaker after losing his hotel job following the discovery of the fiddle, admitted benefits fraud. Their home is now in Wells Road, Brierley Hill.

Each was jailed for 12 months but Brown's sentence was suspended under supervision for 18 months, with 180 hours unpaid work, by Judge Michael Challinor, who told her: "The degree of deception used by both of you was breathtaking."

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NEWS

John's had a lotta bottle but he rounds it up at 67

FOR John Pardoe the job of being a milkman has not always been just about delivering milk.

The 67-year-old has been a friendly face for hundreds of customers during his 36-year career. He has braved all weathers to make his deliveries during the early hours.

Three days a week Mr Pardoe has woken up at 3am in time to get to the main milk depot in Wolverhampton before returning to Wollaston's Kingsway estate where he delivers milk to about 250 customers.

As many of them are elderly, he has always been happy to lend a helping hand or spend time having a chat, knowing he may be their only visitor that day.

He said: "Many of my customers are in their 80s or 90s and you become more than just the milkman."

"I've had one who couldn't turn his heating on so I came in and helped with that and once we had a man who was unconscious on the floor and I was going to try and get in to help him but we had to call the ambulance and wait for them."

Danger

Mr Pardoe even witnessed a man with a gun in the area a few years ago, recalling being in his delivery van when the man lifted his gun up and fired three shots.

The police were soon on the scene and Mr Pardoe said he was not in danger as it turned out to be a starter pistol but he said milkmen have been targets for violence in the past.

"I was in the milk float and I saw this man walk up to me. He fired the pistol three times and I saw blue flashes. I was so shocked about what had happened. The police closed the road off but they couldn't find him." When he left school, Mr Pardoe initially became a cabinet maker but struggled to make a living and found himself delivering milk. He said: "I love this job. I don't mind the cold because I love the people and getting to



Milkman John Pardoe, who is retiring from his round on the Kingsway Estate, Wollaston, after 36 years, with his specially engraved milk bottle

know them." During his career, he has seen many changes including the reduction in the number of people having milk delivered. When he started it, he had almost 600 customers but the number has more than halved due to more people choosing to buy milk from supermarkets instead. But he said many, particularly his customers, still wanted their milk delivered as it meant they saw a friendly face. He said many enjoyed just having someone come to the door who was interested in how they were doing. On his final day at work, Mr Pardoe, of Brambling

Walk, Amblecote, was given cards and gifts from well-wishers.

But there is one which has had taken pride of place on his mantelpiece - a milk bottle engraved especially for him by a grateful customer. It was created by Kevin Barry Crystal at a studio at the Ruskin Glass Centre in Wollaston.

Mr Pardoe said: "It's very unusual and has a tiny diamond embedded in the glass. It's a very special gift."

Now he has started his retirement, he plans to spend more time with his wife June and their family.

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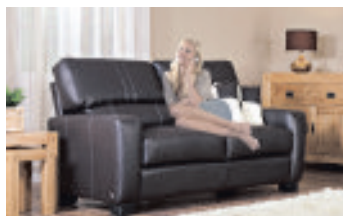
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NEWS

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The money will go to INSIGHT for Carers after customers at the Amblecote store selected it as the branch's local charity partner.

Steve Brain, Chris Hill and Keshia Dunn raised £600 through a sponsored walk. Trish Drew generated £161.50 with a cake sale. Julie Bate collected £200 for the charity. Kingswinford and Stourbridge Lions and Glyn Bailey pulled in £42 at a charity raffle.

Margaret Madeley, secretary of Wolverhampton & Dudley Sainsbury's Veterans Association, raised £211.

Beauties give runner Mike a good send off

A TRIO of beauty queens helped to wish a charity fundraiser good luck as he set off on a mammoth 150-mile trek.

Mayoral attendant Mike Crannage will walk, run, climb, abseil and swim the equivalent of almost six marathons in Costa Rica.

He started the challenge, in aid of the Mayor's chosen charities, at the weekend.

To wish him well, Mr Crannage was joined by 18-year-old Ruby Bowater, who is Miss Teen Galaxy West Midlands, Kelly Louise Wyke, 24, who is Europe's Miss Perfect West Midlands and 11-year-old Alexia Bates, who is Europe's Perfect Little Miss.

They were helping to promote special t-shirts which have been printed and donated by the Pennsnett-based Quality Print in aid of the cause.

People pay £2 for a shirt, which each has a unique number as well as details of Mike's gruelling trip, and is entered into a raffle with some top prizes up for grabs.

Complete

Mr Crannage, 53, will have to complete the distance, from the Pacific coast to the Caribbean Sea, in 10 days.

The money he raises will be donated to Diabetes UK: Stourbridge, Dudley and District Support Group and the Dudley Stroke Association. Mr Crannage said:

"The terrain in Costa Rica is very different from anything I have faced before, with a lot of steep hills quickly changing into deep valleys."

"It is hard to know what to expect until I get there, but my training routine has been the same as always."

This daily regime involves a 4am wake-up call for a two-hour run of between eight and 15 miles.

Mr Crannage completes his fundraising challenges during annual leave from his job at the council.

He said: "It is amazing how much good work charities do in Dudley borough, and I am happy to contribute in any way I can."

Visit www.mikecrannage.com for more details.



Mike Crannage with UK Perfect Little Miss Alexia Bates, aged 11, Miss Teen Galaxy West Midlands Ruby Bowater, 18, and Europe's Perfect West Midlands Kelly Wyke, 24

Jobs will go as npower moves

A MAJOR energy supplier's decision to move its workforce out of the Dudley area will mean people losing their jobs.

Npower announced last month it was to close its IT contact centre in Kingswinford as part of a review being carried out by parent company RWE.

Last week, npower company secretary Guy Johnson met with Dudley South MP Chris Kelly after the MP voiced concerns over the firm's High Street base, which employs 284 people. Mr Kelly said he was told workers would be relocated and there would be some redundancies – but he was told it was too early to say how many jobs will be lost.

Mr Kelly said: "I had a very good meeting with Mr Johnson, it was full and frank. I put to him my concerns and was told the plan was to relocate workers to the company's offices in Oldbury, that was the good news. The bad news was there will be some redundancies, he couldn't say how many."

"I asked about why the company was closing the office, and I was told it was down to the competitive nature of the energy supply market in this country."

Npower will be closing its offices by the end of this year and selling them.

Mr Kelly said: "I still believe Kingswinford is an attractive site for any business and I hope to see the offices bought up quickly."

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STOURBRIDGE College has been given a good rating by government inspectors and praised for contributing to the local economic regeneration.

Lead Ofsted inspector Anne Taylor said in her report that its success rates on college-based courses had surpassed the national average.

She also found students on work place-based courses made "very good progress". While ICT for users and foundation English courses were in need of improvement.

The report further stated: "The principal, her senior management team and governors have collaborated effectively to produce a strategic plan and objectives which are an accurate reflection of the college's mission."

College principal Lynette Cutting said: "This is really exciting news considering our proposals to merge with Birmingham Metropolitan College, which will see further investment in our facilities along with increased work experience."

People are kept out of the loop on home, claim

CALLS for elderly residents to have their say on the future of a care home in the Black Country have been made as a report into services is compiled.

More than 5,000 people signed a petition opposing proposals to shut New Bradley Hall in Kingswinford, and dozens rallied to attend public meetings on the issue. Then, last April, Dudley Council dropped the plans and said the Compton Drive home would remain open to existing residents and offer short-term respite care for them.

Council bosses launched a wide-ranging review into adult services to coincide with the Government's white paper on social care.

Campaigners had been promised regular updates on the review to allow them to be part of the decision-making process.

But campaigner Mac Scott MBE says they had been invited to only one meeting last year, and demanded more talks.

"We had been promised we would be part of this stakeholder group but so far we have barely heard anything and only had a meeting," he said.

"All we ask is that we are told what is going on and are kept informed."

Councillor Steve Waltho

by Andrew Turton

said the future of New Bradley Hall is part of the review in the wake of pressure from funding cuts.

A range of "costed options" will be drawn up for the care home before a report comes back to councillors in the summer, he added.

Councillor Waltho said a further stakeholder meeting with campaigners was planned during the next two months.

"We have to consider services for the whole of the borough's residents, not just New Bradley Hall," he added.

Adult social care in the borough had been moving more towards independent living rather than residential stays within care homes.

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NEWS

New-style forum dates for people to have a say

THE first dates for new community forums across the Dudley borough have been announced - with councillors urging residents to have their say over issues that matter.

People can air views at smaller, less formal meetings from next month. Dudley Council axed the five former area committees covering North and central Dudley, Stourbridge, Halesowen and Brierley Hill. They claimed the meetings were poorly attended, too formal and too bureaucratic.

Now they have been replaced with nine community forums.

The meetings, all at 6.30pm, kick off with Castle and Priory, St James, St Thomas's wards community forum on February 11 at Thomas's Community Network, Beechwood Road, Dudley.

The Coseley East, Sedgley community forum will take place on the same day at Coseley School, in Henne Drive, Coseley.

Netherton, Woodside and St Andrews, Quarry Bank and Dudley Wood residents can go along to their forum on February 12 at Netherton Arts Centre, Northfield Road.

On February 13, the Belle Vale, Halesowen North, Halesowen South, Hayley Green and Cradley South forum is at Earls High School, in Furnace Lane. On the same day a meeting for the Gornal, Upper Gornal and Woodseton wards is at Upper Gornal Methodist Church, Kent Street, Dudley.

There will be a meeting for the Norton, Pedmore and Stourbridge East, Wollaston and Stourbridge Town wards at St Michael and All Angels Church Hall, Norton.

Stalls available for fair

NETHERTON Arts Centre will host a contemporary arts fair in March and stalls are now available for exhibitors.

It will take place on March 2 from 11am to 4pm. The fair will include the work of local artists in 2D, glassworks, jewellery and clay. Contact Claire on 01384 813943.

Studio venture is sound



Jordan Wilde in his new recording suite called Unit 7 Studios

MUSIC fan Jordan Wilde has set up his own recording studios to help up-and-coming acts.

The 19-year-old decided against going to university to focus his time on setting up the studios in Brierley Hill.

He has spent around £7,500 kitting out the industrial unit for bands and artists to use.

The Unit 7 Studios are on Premier Partnership Estate, Leys Road, Brockmoor, Jordan, from The Straits, Gornal, has played in bands

since he was 13 and is part of a reggae group called Upon A Coalition. "I'm really excited about it and it's brilliant as it is something I've always wanted to do," he said.

He says he spotted a gap in the market for bands starting out that can't afford huge costs for rehearsal and studio space.

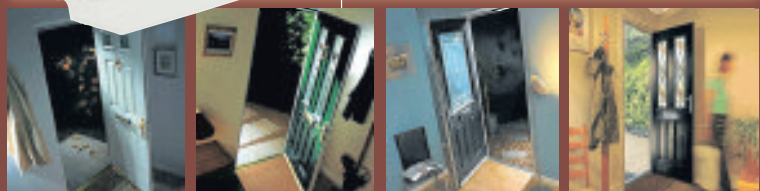
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To round-off the day we take a short trip along the shores of Windermere, through Ambleside to Grasmere and stop here for a little while before we finally leave the Lake District for home.

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The plaque at the E&S



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Thomas Graham, whose plaque is outside the Express & Star's head office in Queen Street, Wolverhampton, was born in Dunfermline in 1841. After moving to Wolverhampton he ran a meat curing business, and became a prominent councillor and magistrate before forming the newspaper, which is still owned by the Graham family today.

Sir Henry Newbolt



The Newbolt plaque



Sir Henry Newbolt

Sir Henry Newbolt, honoured with a plaque on the side of Barclay's Bank, Lichfield Street, Bilston, was a poet best remembered for his 1892 work *Vital Lampada*, in which a future soldier learns about the selfless commitment to duty while playing cricket at school. He was the son of the vicar of St Mary's Church, the Rev Henry Francis Newbolt, and his second wife, Emily.

Sir Rowland Hill



Rowland Hill's plaque



Sir Rowland Hill

Sir Rowland Hill is honoured with a plaque in Lichfield Street, Wolverhampton. Born in Kidderminster, he moved to Wolverhampton as a child. He campaigned for a comprehensive reform of the postal system, based on the concept of penny postage and prepayment and is regarded as the creator of the modern postal service.

Benjamin Mander



The Mander plaque



Benjamin Mander

Benjamin Mander, who was born in 1752 and died in 1819, founded a japanning and varnish manufacturing company with his brother John in 1773. The business became one of the leading varnish manufacturers. The company later built the Mander Centre, where his plaque is mounted and the family name is now inextricably linked to the city of Wolverhampton.

Button Gwinnett



The Gwinnett plaque



Button Gwinnett

Button Gwinnett lived in Wolverhampton and married his wife Ann at St Peter's Church in the city in 1757. He later moved to America where he became involved in politics, and was one of the signatories of the US Declaration of Independence. His plaque can be seen in Exchange Street, Wolverhampton.

Society that helps put local history on a plate

SUHAIL Rana is a man with a lot on his plate at the moment. Or more precisely, that should be plates.

As chairman of Wolverhampton Civic Society, he is the ultimate custodian of the 90 blue plaques which adorn various parts of the city, but his work is far from complete.

"At the moment we have got around half a dozen plaques waiting to go up, one of them will be for the Rotary Club of Wolverhampton, that's something in progress, which we are hoping to put up outside the Britannia Hotel."

It seems that while there is a question about the future of the original

by Mark Andrews

blue-plaque scheme in London, Wolverhampton's version of the project, launched by the society's Rudi Herbert in 1983, is in rude health.

Not only are there plenty of sponsors willing to stump up the £500 cost of having a plaque installed, the society has also secured funding for a mobile phone app, which will allow people to access detailed information about the plaques' subjects as they walk around the town.

"There are always quite a few calls for people to be honoured," says Mr Rana. "The sponsorship usually comes from the families or companies concerned." There are now around 90

blue plaques dotted around Wolverhampton which, outside Birmingham, is by far the most popular such scheme around the West Midlands.

"I think the people of Wolverhampton are very proud of their city," says Mr Rana. "It had many famous factories like Sunbeam, and people want to celebrate it."

Express & Star founder Thomas Graham was the first man to be honoured in Wolverhampton, with his plaque on display outside the newspaper's offices in Queen Street. Other luminaries include industrialist Benjamin Mander, and Button Gwinnett who was one of the signatories on the US Declaration of Independence.

Queen Victoria



The visit plaque



Queen Victoria

Queen Victoria's visit to Wolverhampton is remembered with this plaque on the side of the HSBC bank in Queen Square. The Queen came to the town in 1866 to unveil a statue built in memory of her husband Prince Albert. The landmark statue of Prince Albert on horseback can still be seen in Queen Square in the city centre.

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Suction offers another solution



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Ann's transformation

ANN flashes an engaging smile and declares confidently: "I'm looking to join a choir – I love singing."

The retired general nurse, midwife and public health worker from the Midlands, continues: "It's one of the things I want to do again, having been involved in a Finding the Voice course."

"It's such a joyous pastime and what's more, it gives me pleasure while hopefully putting something back into life for others." It is hard to imagine Ann shying away from anything – a consummate, articulate professional, who embraces life and opportunity with an infectious enthusiasm.

But trouble with her teeth began to erode her positive approach and she admits her self-image took a dive. I became too self-conscious of my teeth."

She adds: "Family get-togethers over meals became awkward for me because my teeth were not functional, but it was at my mother's 90th birthday party it really came home to me. 'What's the matter with your teeth?'

"She said 'they're all misshapen'. It was true.

"My mother said what no-one else would say. It's true also, teeth can be life-damaging." Ann, who once worked in Australia before meeting her husband and returning to the UK, had suffered periodontal (gum) disease of her top crown.

Some teeth had become loose and twisted while other, more mobile teeth, had to be extracted. Her sister was a patient with Wolverhampton implantologist Jonathon Pugh BDS MSc, principal dentist at Parkdale Dental Clinic on Tettenhall Road, and she persuaded her to have a consultation with him.

Mr Pugh recalls: "Sadly, by this time,

Ann's gum disease was aggressive and far too advanced so we didn't have the option to treat her gum disease. We had to extract all of her upper teeth and then place four implants to support an implant-retained denture."

Ann's case was then referred to Steven Burchell Dip CDT RCS (Eng) of the Denture Clinic, which is also

based at the Parkdale practice, and he prescribed and made the prosthetic. Mr Burchell, who also has a clinic in North Street, Dudley, says: "With the implant-retained top denture we could guarantee stabilisation, giving Ann the smile she wanted and excellent functionality too."

Ann, a volunteer support worker at a

hospice, adds: "I cannot speak highly enough of both clinics which provided excellent treatment for me."

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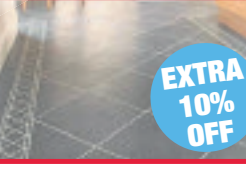
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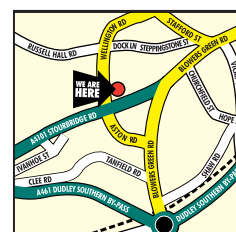
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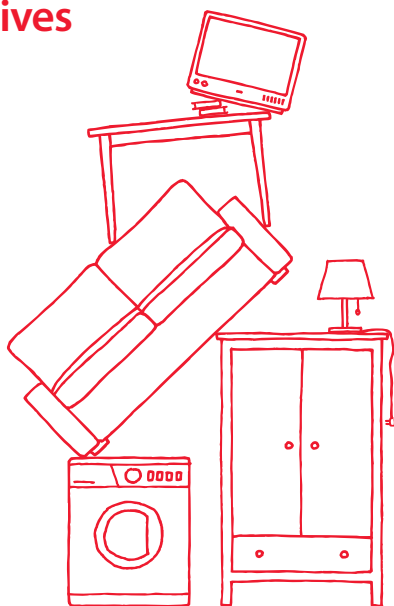
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CLUB NEWS

Subs rise as hire fee increases

WOLLASTON E TOWNSWOMEN

THE first meeting of 2013 was very well attended by 41 members and nine guests.

Chairman Jean Latham, warmly welcomed everyone and wished them a prosperous and healthy new year. She added she was pleased that everyone had enjoyed the Christmas party.

The secretary followed with the correspondence, most of which comprised 'thank you' messages from neighbouring guilds invited to the Christmas party.

The treasurer reported that due to increases in the costs of hiring venues, speakers, etc, subscriptions have to be raised to £27. However, the evening admission fee remains at £1.30.

The secretary requested that annual sub-section reports are submitted in time for the AGM in March.

Speaker for the evening, John Billingham, gave a very informative talk with slides on the subject of 'Images of Worcestershire'. He was given a round of applause and thanked by the chairman.

The competition winners were Janet Hodder and Sue Ward, while raffle prizes went to Barbara Sawyer and Jude Cresswell.

The next meeting is at 7.30pm on February 12 at St James Church Hall. Ian Bott will speak on 'Black Country Burials'. The competition involves a photo of a local church.

Donation will prove vital for blind centre



Stephen Lees hands the cheque to Pete Moodie of the Beacon Centre for the Blind

STEPHEN Lees, president for 2012, had great pleasure in presenting on behalf of Probus Club of Wednesfield a cheque for £400, which included his own generous contribution, to Mr Peter Moodie at the group's first meeting in January.

Mr Moodie expressed thanks on behalf of Beacon Centre for the Blind and said the money would go towards the vital services that the centre offers to local people with visual impairment. He followed up with gave a talk and demonstrated helpful items

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that can be used in daily lives by people with sight loss. Thanks were expressed by 2013 president Mel Pope with the club's best wishes to Beacon for the future.

For a full list of meetings, which take place on the third Tuesday in the month, and events, contact John on 01902 733230 or David on 01902 631948.

Extra added to charity pot

SEDGLEY MORNING TOWNSWOMEN

THERE was a very good response to the competition for a handmade Christmas card or decoration.

Guild members were asked to put a coin on the item they thought was the best and the money raised would go to the charity fund and it raised a total of £38.20.

December's speaker was Rod Quilter, who spoke of "Remarkable Restraints" a history of corsetry since the turn of the century with

examples for members to pass around and look at.

As bad weather is always a threat in January it was decided to hold a bring and buy sale, which added £50.20 to the charity fund.

Members then enjoyed a Beetle Drive with prizes for winners and losers.

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THE WAY I SEE IT

Home Secretary hears from police and the Tory faithful

I WAS delighted to welcome the Home Secretary, Theresa May, to Brierley Hill Police Station.

There we met Chris Sims, Chief Constable West Midlands Police, and staff from Dudley and surrounding Local Policing Units.

The Home Secretary was keen to learn how the Government's policing reforms are bedding in in the West Midlands force and to hear from officers first-hand how they are delivering improved outcomes under resource constraints.

It was a very productive few hours and the officers were free to raise any matters with the Cabinet Minister.

Issues

Theresa left Dudley impressed by what she had seen and heard.

She then kindly addressed Dudley South Conservative Association's annual dinner where 70 members and supporters gathered for an enjoyable evening of great company, delicious food and stimulating debate.

The Home Secretary took questions from the floor giving members, like the officers earlier in the day, the opportunity to have their say on the issues of the day.

Having your say is very much a theme at the moment. In a historic speech a fortnight ago, Prime Minister David Cameron committed the next Conservative Government to offering the people of Britain

Dudley South Conservative MP Chris Kelly takes the stand in our weekly Chronicle column which gives our local representatives the chance to air their views



"Having your say is very much the theme of the moment with the Prime Minister's commitment on a referendum on membership of the European Union."

an in-out referendum on our membership of the European Union.

Having rebelled against the whip last year to vote in favour of holding a referendum on EU membership, I am delighted that the Prime Minister has made this important commitment, leaving the leaderships of the other parties steadfastly against the wishes of the majority of British people.

I am now inviting residents to have their say on the Europe: You decide page of my website.

In Parliament, MPs debated and voted upon the Electoral Registration and Administration Bill - Consideration of Lords amendments.

Liberal Democrat MPs joined with an opportunistic

Parliamentary Labour Party to defeat proposals for equal sized constituencies following Lib Dem peers in the House of Lords breaking with centuries of convention in the procedures of the Upper Chamber last month.

As a result there will be no boundary changes - and no reduction in the overall number of 650 MPs and, consequently, no corresponding reduction in the cost of politics - at the next General Election, due on May 5, 2015.

Thanks to Labour and the Lib Dems we no longer have the possibility of equal votes in equal sized constituencies at the next election.

What could have been fairer than every person's vote being equal, no matter which constituency they cast

their vote in? On a happier note, I was pleased to join Peter Suddock, chief executive of Dudley Zoological Gardens, at the Heart of England Tourism annual reception at the House of Commons where I received an update on the development of the zoo and Castle Gate.

I was pleased to once again attend Holocaust Memorial Day at Dudley College where Holocaust survivor, Eva Clarke, delivered a powerful and moving speech, and to meet Lowell Williams, college principal, for a briefing on further education in our area.

Support


Next I met Guy Johnson, company secretary of RWE npower, at Dudley Council House to discuss the planned closure of the company's Kingswinford operation.

I received assurances that all affected staff will receive the best possible support from the company to help them through the transition and that redundancies will be kept to an absolute minimum given the viability of commuting to the company's offices on Junction 2 of the M5 at Oldbury.

Mr Johnson confirmed that, regrettably, the npower offices will close 'by the end of the year', although it should be pointed out that E.ON remain a major employer on the shared site.

I then held a busy constituency advice surgery at Brierley Hill library.

Chris Kelly can be contacted on 01384 211 041 or via office@chriskelly.mp

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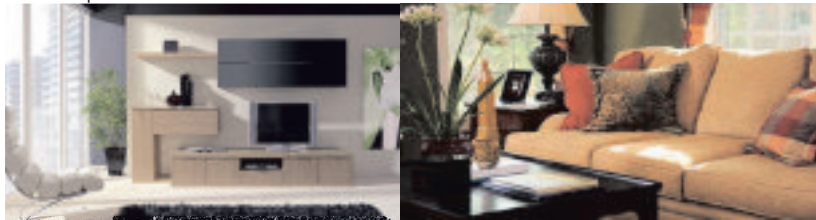
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What's On! Dudley

Stories to be told at library event

COSELEY Library will welcome Katrice Horsley for a story-telling session on Saturday between 10.30am until 1pm and 2pm until 4pm.

The session will use story-telling and other activities to explore local issue and inspire people of all ages to contribute their ideas for community development in East Cosely.

People who live or work in East Cosely are invited to come along and share their opinions of the area and what they would like to see developed.

Laura to lead cartoon session

ARTIST Laura Howell will lead a cartooning workshop at Stourbridge Library on Saturday from 11.30am until 2pm.

The Beano Cartoon Illustration Workshop is aimed at children aged five or older and their families.

The event is free but booking at the library is recommended.

Tristram's talk

BRIERLEY Hill Library will have a talk by author Geoff Tristram to launch this year's Six Book Challenge on Saturday February 9. Mr Tristram will also talk about his humours writing. Refreshments will be served from midday with the talk to start at 2pm and expected to last about an hour.

Boogie Nights musical will be a feast of 70s nostalgia

JIMMY Osmond, and his brothers Jay and Merrill, will lead a disco-tastic tribute to the 1970s in Wolverhampton and Birmingham.

Joining them for the musical Boogie Nights will be Pop Idol and West End star Gareth Gates and, from The X Factor, cheeky Chico, Laura White and soul singing former binman Andy Abraham.

Dream will do nicely for fans



Keith Jack as Joseph

KEITH Jack came a close second in the TV search for a new Joseph, Any Dream Will Do.

But since 2011 he has established himself as a popular leading man in the touring production of Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd-Webber's Biblical musical. Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat returns to Wolverhampton Grand Theatre from Tuesday to Saturday. Call the box office on 01902 429212.

The jukebox musical will feature Shane Richie Junior in the role of roguish disco fan Roddy, a jack the lad in a provincial British town, a character first played by his father, who helped create the show 15 years ago.

Survive

Gates plays a heart-throb, Abraham a tough soul singer with a liking for Barry White songs, and Chico will be showing his disco dance moves to Le Freak. As Debs, Louisa Lytton (EastEnders, The Bill and Strictly Come Dancing) will belt out such numbers as I Will Survive.

The three Osmond brothers will appear as special guests, and will perform their 70s hits Crazy Horses and Love Me For A Reason.

Boogie Nights is at Wolverhampton Civic Hall (0870 3207000) tonight (Thursday) and tomorrow night (Fri), then will move to Symphony Hall (0121 780333) in Birmingham on Saturday night.



Actress Elizabeth McGovern as Lady Cora in Downton Abbey, left, and fronting her band Sadie and the Hotheads, who are coming to Birmingham and Worcester



Downton's Lady Cora is a rocker

AMERICAN star Elizabeth McGovern is famous for the role of Lady Cora in hit ITV costume drama Downton Abbey but she has another alter-ego, as lead singer and guitarist with rock band Sadie and the Hotheads.

The former Hollywood actress, who married an English director and moved to London in the 1990s, will bring her band to the Adrian Boulton Hall in Birmingham tomorrow night (Friday) and to Worcester's Huntingdon Hall on Saturday.

She said: "It's an Americana kind of sound, a mix of country and rock and roll. It's as if I needed to be in London to discover this side of myself."

The Hotheads sometimes also feature guests, which have included her on-screen Downton daughter, actress and singer Michelle Dockery. Tickets cost £21 at Birmingham. Call 0121 3450600.

Best foot forward for weekly walk

THE weekly Wordsley Trail walk is on every Wednesday starting from the main car park at King George V Park, Lawnswood Road.

The free walk begins at 10am with walkers asked to be there 15 minutes before that. The walk last about an hour and is led either by Jackie Edwards or a park ranger.

This is a picturesque walk through woodland trails and along canal towpaths, and includes The Buckpool and Pens Pools Nature Reserve.

Sketchbook of art work by Fox

THE Fox Sketchbook is an exhibition celebrating works recently received by Dudley Museum and Art Gallery. The works, by local artist Ernest Fox, include a small sketch book.

Mr Fox was working in Dudley during the 1880s and a highlight of his work shows the view from Castle Hill towards Tipton as it looked at the time. The exhibition runs until March 9 and admission is free.

Choir's requiem

OLD Swinford Hospital Chamber Choir is combining with Redhill Chamber Orchestra to perform Faure's Requiem on Wednesday February 13 at 7.30pm. The concert is at Great Hall at Old Swinford Hospital School and includes works by Bach, Warlock and Avison. Admission is free.

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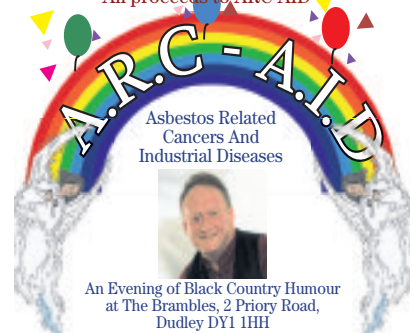
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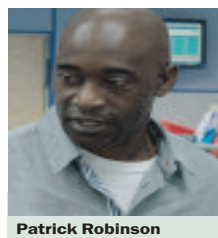
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Patrick Robinson

Casualty
BBC1, 9.10pm
Long-standing Casualty fans probably won't need to be reminded about Martin 'Ash' Ashford, but for newer viewers, he was Charlie's former deputy who worked on the wards of Holby between 1990 and 1998. Since leaving the show, actor Patrick Robinson has regularly cropped up on our screens - his credits include a two-year stint on The Bill - and it turns out his Casualty alter ego has been busy as well, because when Ash rejoins the team this evening, it's as a fully qualified doctor. But how will he feel when he discovers his first patient has a case of rabies?

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** The Good Cook. (R) **12.00** BBC News: Regional News: Weather. **12.15** Football Focus. **1.00** Bargain Hunt. (R) **2.00** Live Six Nations Rugby Union. **4.30** Live Six Nations Rugby Union.
7.00 **BBC News:** Regional News: Weather.
7.20 **Britain's Brightest:** Clare Balding is joined by comedian Bill Bailey as she hosts the final, with the winner claiming the title of Britain's Brightest and a cheque for £50,000. Last in the series.
8.20 **The National Lottery: In It To Win It.** Dale Winton presents the quiz in which five contestants pit their wits to scoop a big cash prize. Includes the National Lottery draws, presented by Scott Mills.
9.10 **Casualty.** Charlie's former nursing deputy Ash, now qualified as a doctor, rejoins the team, and hits the ground running when he treats a patient with suspected rabies.
10.00 **BBC News:** Weather.
10.20 **Match of the Day.** Gary Lineker presents highlights of today's Premier League clashes, including Swansea City v Queens Park Rangers and Southampton v Manchester City; National Lottery Update.
11.40 **The Football League Show.** Manish Bhasin presents highlights and all the goals from today's fixtures in the Championship, League One and League Two, including Bolton Wanderers v Burnley.
12.55 **Weather.** **1.00** News.

BBC2

6.00 Close. **7.10** Great British Menu. (R) **7.40** Great British Menu. (R) **8.10** Great British Menu. (R) **8.40** Great British Menu. (R) **9.10** Great British Menu. (R) **9.40** The Sky at Night. (R) **10.00** A History of Britain by Simon Schama. (R) **11.00** Meet the Ancestors. (R) **11.30** Map Man. (R) **12.00** Indian Food Made Easy. (R) **12.30** Mastermind. (R) **1.00** University Challenge. (R) **1.30** Film: The Taming of the Shrew. (1967) **3.30** The Mary Berry Story. (R) **4.30** Final Score. **5.30** Ice Age Art: A Culture Show Special.
6.30 **Dad's Army.** Jones's van runs out of petrol and the platoon is forced to spend the night in a spooky deserted house, where the men's imaginations soon run wild. (R)
7.00 **Top Gear.** Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond and James May pilot three front-engined supercars on a road trip from Las Vegas to Palm Springs via Los Angeles. (R)
8.00 **Giant Otters of the Amazon: Natural World.** Cameraman Charlie Hamilton James heads to the Peruvian jungle to chart the dangerous life of a giant otter and its unruly family of six cubs.
9.00 **Howard Goodall's Story of Music.** The composer examines the period between 1750 and 1850, which was the era of Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Mendelssohn, Schumann and Chopin.
10.00 **Dancing on the Edge.** Drama, by Stephen Poliakoff. (R)
11.35 **Film: Milk.** (2008) Biopic of US politician Harvey Milk, starring Sean Penn.
1.35 Close.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Handy Manny. **6.10** Handy Manny. **6.25** The Hive. (R) **6.35** The Hive. (R) **6.40** Dino Dan. (R) **6.55** Almost Naked Animals. (R) **7.05** Almost Naked Animals. (R) **7.15** Almost Naked Animals. (R) **7.30** Almost Naked Animals. (R) **7.40** Matt Hatter Chronicles. (R) **8.05** Ultimate Spider-Man. **8.30** Victorious. (R) **9.00** Jessie. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **10.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **11.20** Saturday Cookbook. (R) **12.15** ITV News: Weather. **12.20** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **1.20** My Tasty Travels with Lynda Bellingham. (R) **2.25** Dinner Date. (R) **3.25** Film: The Secret of My Success. (1987) **5.30** Regional Programme: Weather. **5.40** ITV News: Weather.
6.00 **Film: Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang.** (2010) Premiere. A woman struggling to look after her children and the family farm receives a helping hand from the magical nanny. Fantasy comedy, with Emma Thompson.
8.05 **Take Me Out.** A line-dancing instructor, a footballer, a student and a motorsport events manager enter the love lift in the hope of impressing 30 single women.
9.20 **The Jonathan Ross Show.** The host chats to John C. Reilly, who provides the voice of the title character in Disney's Wreck-It Ralph, and Hayley Atwell, star of Captain America. With music by pop duo Hurts.
10.20 **ITV News:** Weather.
10.35 **Film: Knocked Up.** (2007) Romantic comedy, starring Seth Rogen.
12.50 **Jackpot247.** **3.00** In Plain Sight. (R) **3.45** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.10 The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** UCI Cycle-Cross World Championships. **8.00** The Morning Line. **8.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.25** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.55** Frasier. (R) **10.25** Frasier. (R) **10.55** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **11.55** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.25** Secret Millionaire Ireland. (R) **1.30** Channel 4 Racing. **3.55** Come Dine with Me. (R) **4.25** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.00** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.25** Come Dine with Me. (R)
6.00 **Come Dine with Me.** Caroline Wardrope hosts the final dinner party in Glasgow. (R)
6.25 **Channel 4 News.** Ireland's Union Flag dispute and the questions it raises about the religious divide in the public's eyes.
6.55 **Film: Crocodile Dundee II.** (1988) The Australian adventurer lures the drug dealers who kidnapped his girlfriend to the Outback for a showdown. Comedy adventure sequel, starring Paul Hogan and Linda Kozlowski.
9.00 **World Without End.** Merthin returns from Italy and urges Caris to elope with him, but she refuses, while Kingsbridge is hit by the Plague that had been sweeping through Europe.
10.05 **Film: Kiss the Girls.** (1997) Thriller, starring Morgan Freeman, Ashley Judd, Cary Elwes and Tony Goldwyn.
12.20 **Film: Porky's** (1982) Sex comedy, starring Kim Cattrall. **2.05** The Confession. (R) **2.10** Hollyoaks. **4.15** Smallville. (R) **4.55** Countdown. (R) **5.40** Baking Mad with Eric Lanlard. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** Power Rangers Samurai. (R) **10.35** Batman: The Brave and the Bold. **11.05** How Do They Do It? (R) **11.40** Police Interceptors. (R) **12.40** Dangerous Drivers' School. (R) **1.40** Film: Stranger with My Face. (2009) **3.25** Film: My Neighbor's Secret. (2009) **5.10** Film: Two Mules for Sister Sara. (1970)
7.20 **5 News Weekend.**
7.25 **NCIS.** Having identified the mole in their ranks, the detectives are forced to rely on information from questionable sources as they try to prevent a criminal stealing government secrets. (R)
8.10 **NCIS.** A petty officer is killed in what at first seems to be a road-rage incident - until the team discovers he belonged to an underground fight club. Crime drama, starring Mark Harmon. (R)
9.00 **Law & Order.** Green and Cassidy investigate the murder of a woman after callers to the emergency services report seeing a photograph of her body on the internet. (R)
10.00 **Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.** An ex-finance's girlfriend is murdered.
10.55 **Law & Order: Criminal Intent.** Part two of two. Goren's actions get him suspended.
11.50 **Inside Hollywood 2013.** **12.00** SuperCasino. **4.00** HouseBusters. (R) **4.25** Divine Designs. (R) **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.05** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.15** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.40** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.50** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Merlin **7.45** Doctor Who. Part two of two. A doppelganger seeks revenge against her makers. **8.35** Film: Superman Returns (2006) **11.00** Family Guy **11.40** American Dad!
BBC Four
7.00 Lost Land of the Volcano **8.00** The Treasures of Ancient Rome **9.00** Spiral: State of Terror **10.45** When Albums Ruled the World **ITV2**
2.15 Film: Nanny McPhee (2005) **4.15** You've Been Framed! **5.55** You've Been Framed! Calendar Special **7.00** Film: Back to the Future Part III (1990) **9.20** Take Me Out - The Gossip **10.05** Fake Reaction **10.50** Film: Sleepy Hollow (1999)
ITV3
2.50 A Touch of Frost **5.00** Agatha Christie's Marple **7.00** Doc Martin **9.00** Midsomer Murders **11.00** Film: Schindler's List (1993)
ITV4
2.55 Film: Northwest Mounted Police (1940) **5.30** Live Africa Cup of Nations. The third-place play-off (Kick-off 6.00pm). **8.15** TT Legends **8.45** GT Academy **9.15** Film: Mercury Rising (1998) **11.30** Film: Firefox (1982)
E4
3.35 Rules of Engagement **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **7.00** Happy Endings **8.00** How I Met Your Mother **8.30** 2 Broke Girls **9.00** Film: The Full Monty (1997) **10.45** The Big Bang Theory **11.45** The Cleveland Show
Film4
2.40 It's a Wonderful Life (1946) **5.15** Carry On Regardless (1961) **7.00** The First Wives Club (1996) **9.00** Predators (2010) Sci-fi thriller sequel, starring Adrien Brody. **11.10** Jennifer's Body (2009)

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CHOICE



Stephen Fry

The British Academy Film Awards
BBC1, 9pm
The Oscars may be more in-your-face, but when it comes to understated glamour with a classy edge, the British Academy Film Awards – or Baftas, to you and me – win hands down. Stephen Fry hosts this year's event from London's Royal Opera House in Covent Garden. The only man who knows for sure that he'll be adding one of the trophies to his mantelpiece is Alan Parker. The director is the latest film-maker to be awarded a Bafta fellowship. As for the rest of the evening's awards, Lincoln leads the way with 10 nominations.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **7.35** Match of the Day. **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** The Big Questions. **11.00** Sunday Politics: Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.25** Countryfile. (R) **1.25** Call the Midwife. (R) **2.25** Live Six Nations Rugby Union. **5.00** Africa. The challenges faced by the continent's wildlife. Last in the series. (R) **6.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **6.30** Blandings. It is the annual castle fete, and as usual Connie forces Clarence to wear a top hat and make a speech, a double ordeal he hopes to dodge after befriending a pair of crafty children. **7.00** Countryfile. Matt Baker explores Cornwall's northern coast to find out about its mythological past. Plus, a farm with a holistic approach to agriculture and tidal power on the Orkney Islands. Including Weather for the Week Ahead. **8.00** Call the Midwife. Jenny and Sister Evangelina assist at the birth of a baby with spina bifida, while Nonnatus House plays host to an eccentric cleric friend of Chummy. **9.00** The British Academy Film Awards. Stephen Fry hosts the annual ceremony live from the Royal Opera House in Covent Garden, where Lincoln, Les Misérables, Skyfall, Argo and Anna Karenina lead the nominees. **11.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **11.25** Room 101 – Extra Storage. With Clive Anderson, Alex Jones and Jack Whitehall. **12.05** Celebrity Apprentice USA. **1.25** Weatherview. **1.30** News.

BBC2

6.00 Close. **7.15** Film: Rachel and the Stranger. (1948) **8.45** Life in a Cottage Garden with Carol Klein. (R) **9.15** A to Z of TV Gardening. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.30** The Little Paris Kitchen: Cooking with Rachel Khoo. (R) **12.00** EastEnders. (R) **1.55** Fog It! (R) **2.40** Giant Otters of the Amazon: Natural World. (R) **3.40** The Mary Barry Story. (R) **4.40** Songs of Praise. **5.15** In Orbit: How Satellites Rule Our World. (R) **6.15** Ski Sunday. The men's World Championship downhill from Schladming in Austria. **7.00** Food & Drink. Culinary advice and discussion, hosted by Michel Roux Jr. (R) **7.30** Open All Hours. Arkwright feels neglected by Nurse Gladys Emmanuel, and decides to elicit her undivided attention by feigning illness. Comedy, starring Ronnie Barker and Lynda Baron. (R) **8.00** Top Gear. Jeremy Clarkson races a Shelby Mustang GT500 against James May and Richard Hammond, who take the pan-European rail network, in a sprint from London to Milan. **9.00** Wonders of Life. Professor Brian Cox travels to southern Africa to explore why Earth is such a fertile place and how it sustains such a large diversity of life forms. **10.00** Match of the Day 2. Including highlights of Manchester United v Everton. **11.00** Dancing on the Edge. (R) **12.05** Six Nations Rugby Union. **12.50** Sign Zone: Being Eileen. (R) **1.20** Holly City. (R) **2.20** Close.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Handy Manny. **6.10** Handy Manny. **6.25** The Hive. (R) **6.35** The Hive. (R) **6.40** Dino Dan. (R) **6.55** Dino Dan. (R) **7.05** Almost Naked Animals. (R) **7.15** Almost Naked Animals. (R) **7.30** Almost Hatter Chronicles. (R) **8.05** Rated A for Awesome. **8.15** Rated A for Awesome. **8.30** Big Time Rush. **9.00** The Aquabats Super Show. **9.25** House Guest in the Sun. (R) **10.20** 60 Minute Makeover. (R) **11.20** May the Best House Win. Vive la France. (R) **12.20** ITV News; Weather. **12.25** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **1.25** Rosemary & Thyme. (R) **3.00** Film: Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets. (2002) **5.50** Regional Programme: Weather. **6.00** ITV News; Weather. **6.15** Dancing on Ice. A romantic love-themed show. **7.45** All Star Family Fortunes. Diarmuid Gavin and Gemma Merna take part. **8.30** Dancing on Ice: The Skale Off. Phillip Schofield and Christine Bleakley preside as the two couples who have the least support skate again in a bid to stay in the competition. **9.00** Mr Selfridge. Harry is left unconscious after the car accident and as his family gathers by his bedside, the news arrives that Mrs Grove is dead – something which leaves Miss Marple confused. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.15** Film: Duplicity. (2009) Thriller, starring Julia Roberts, Clive Owen, Tom Wilkinson and Paul Giamatti. **12.30** Premiership Rugby Union. **1.25** The Store. **2.55** Monk. (R) **3.40** ITV Nightseries. **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R)

CHANNEL 4

6.10 The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Will & Grace. (R) **7.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Frasier. (R) **8.55** Frasier. (R) **9.30** Sunday Brunch. **12.00** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.30** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.55** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **1.25** The Simpsons. (R) **1.55** The Simpsons. (R) **2.25** Film: Star Trek III: The Search for Spock. (1984) **4.25** Time Team. **5.25** Deal or No Deal. **6.25** Channel 4 News. **6.55** Thoughtful. Northern Ireland's Union Flag dispute. **7.00** The Political Slot. Behind the scenes of Nick Clegg's new radio phone-in show. **7.05** Come Dine with Me. A week of dinner parties in Bristol, featuring a holiday outfit, a personal homage to the work of PJ and Duncan and a best of British theme. **8.00** The Hotel. Mark decides to sell the Grosvenor, or, at least, to his first-ever stay in a hotel. **9.00** Film: Die Hard 4.0. (2007) Tough cop John McClane goes on the trail of a criminal mastermind plotting a technological terror attack on America. Action thriller sequel, with Bruce Willis and Timothy Olyphant. **11.35** Film: Changing Lanes. (2002) Revenge thriller, starring Samuel L. Jackson. **1.15** Film: The Last Mitterand. (2005) Semi-fictional biopic, starring Michael Bouquet. **3.15** Coming Up. (R) **3.45** St Elsewhere. (R) **4.30** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.25** Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowerpots. (R) **6.25** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **6.30** The Mr Men Show. (R) **6.45** Olive the Ostrich. (R) **6.50** Abby's Flying Fairy School. (R) **7.00** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.10** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.20** Animal Antics. (R) **7.25** Make Way for Noddy. (R) **7.40** City of Friends. (R) **7.55** Little Princess. (R) **8.05** Milkshake! Monkey. (R) **8.10** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.20** Mio Mao. (R) **8.25** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.45** Rupert Bear. (R) **9.00** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.15** Toby's Travelling Circus. (R) **9.30** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.45** Jelly Jam. **10.00** Power Rangers Samurai. (R) **10.35** Batman: The Brave and the Bold. **11.10** Inside Hollywood. **11.20** Once Upon a Time. (R) **12.10** Winter Road Rescue. (R) **1.15** Film: The Witches. (1990) **3.05** Film: White You Were Sleeping. (1995) **5.05** Film: The Water Horse: Legend of the Deep. (2007) **7.15** Inside the Titanic. The story of the 1912 disaster from the point of view of those below decks. (R) **8.55** 5 News Weekend. **9.00** Person of Interest. An unemployed man appears to be planning to kill a congressman. **10.00** Film: Piranha. (2010) Premiere. Horror remake, starring Elisabeth Shue. **11.55** Film: Red Water. (2003) Horror, starring Lou Diamond Phillips. **1.35** SuperCasino. **4.00** HouseBusters. (R) **4.25** Divine Designs. (R) **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.05** Hansa's Helpline. (R) **5.15** The Milkshake! Monkey. (R) **5.40** Thomas & Friends. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Wallace & Gromit: A Close Shave. **7.30** The British Film Academy Awards 2013: Red Carpet Show. **8.00** Film: National Treasure (2004) **10.00** Being Human **11.00** People Like Us
BBC Four
7.00 Heligan: Secrets of the Lost Garden. **8.00** Harlots, Housewives & Heroines: A 17th Century Days of Girls. **9.00** Queen: Days of Our Lives. **11.00** Frankie Howard: Rather You Than Me
ITV2
3.45 Take Me Out. **5.00** Take Me Out – The Gossip. **5.50** Film: Kindergarten Cop (1990) **8.00** You've Been Framed! **9.00** The Maguluf Weekend. **10.00** Film: Forgetting Sarah Marshall (2008)
ITV3
3.25 Agatha Christie's Marple. **5.20** Murder, She Wrote. **6.25** Film: Vertigo (1958) **9.00** Film: The Birds (1963) Alfred Hitchcock's thriller, starring Tippi Hedren. **11.30** Film: A Perfect Murder (1998)
ITV4
3.40 Film: Aces High (1976) **6.00** Live Africa Cup of Nations. The final (Kick-off 6.00pm). **9.00** Premiership Rugby Union. **10.00** Film: The Silence of the Lambs (1991)
E4
5.00 Revenge. **6.00** The Big Bang Theory. **7.00** New Girl. **8.00** Film: Home Alone (1990) **10.00** What Happens in Kavos. **11.00** My Mad Fat Diary
Film4
2.55 Big Momma's House 2 (2006) **4.50** P'Tang Yang Kipperbang (1982) **6.40** Chocolat (2000) **9.00** The General's Daughter (1999) Murder mystery thriller, starring John Travolta. **11.20** A Life Less Ordinary (1997)

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MONDAY

Thirteen Days, BBC1, 12.20am

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TUESDAY

The Hand That Rocks the Cradle, BBC1, 11.25pm

A doctor is caught molesting a patient and commits suicide, after which his wife has a miscarriage. She blames his victim for her losses and plans to get revenge, infiltrating the unsuspecting woman's house as a nanny and playing twisted mind games to destroy her life. Thriller, starring Rebecca De Mornay, Annabella Sciorra, Julianne Moore and Ernie Hudson. (1992)



City by the Sea, Wednesday, BBC1, 11.35pm

WEDNESDAY

City by the Sea, BBC1, 11.35pm

A respected New York homicide detective is torn between family ties and official duty when the murder of a drug dealer is blamed on his estranged son. Struggling to come to terms with his offspring's troubled past, he also faces another battle to prevent his grandson following in his father's footsteps and choosing a life of crime. Drama, with Robert De Niro, Frances McDormand, James Franco and Eliza Dushku. (2002)

THURSDAY

The Matrix Revolutions, Channel 5, 10pm

As the survivors of the human race make their last stand against the machines, freedom fighters Neo and Trinity undertake a desperate journey into the heart of the enemy stronghold seeking a way to end the war, while the rogue computer programme Smith sets about remaking the virtual world of the Matrix in his own image. Conclusion of the sci-fi trilogy, starring Keanu Reeves, Carrie-Anne Moss, Laurence Fishburne and Hugo Weaving. (2003)

FRIDAY

The Last Boy Scout, ITV, 10.35pm

A private eye half-heartedly takes a job as bodyguard to a nightclub dancer. A shocking attack, however, forces him to take his duties more seriously, and before long he uncovers evidence of murder and corruption – all linked to the world of American football. Action thriller, starring Bruce Willis, Damon Wayans, Chelsea Field, Halle Berry and Noble Willingham. (1991)

Pick of the Week

Celebrating the best of the big-screen offerings

The Oscars may be more in-your-face, but when it comes to understated glamour with a classy edge, the British Academy Film Awards – or Baftas, to you and us – win hands down.

We're now well into the awards season, with the National Television Golden Globes and Screen Actors having already happened; the aforementioned Oscars are just around the corner too.

But for now, it's London's Royal Opera House in Covent Garden that grabs our attention. That's where Stephen Fry will be hosting the 66th Bafta ceremony from, surrounded by A-listers from across the globe who gaze at him in awe while wondering if they will be taking home one of the coveted Bafta masks.

"Hard as it may be for some characteristically sceptical Britons to believe, the Baftas have real kudos, reputation and cachet all over the world of film-making," says Fry, 41, old as I am, never cease to be shamelessly glorified by the sight of so many legendary names who come every year as nominees and presenters.

The only man who knows for sure that he'll be adding one of the famous trophies to his mantelpiece is Alan Parker. The advertising copywriter-turned-Oscar-nominated director has a string of big-screen successes under his belt, including *Midnight Express*, *Fame*, *Mississippi Burning*, *Bugsy Malone* and *Evita* – he's also the latest film-maker to be awarded a Bafta fellowship, following in the footsteps of the likes of Alfred Hitchcock, Steven Spielberg and last year's recipient, Martin Scorsese.

John Willis, chairman of the Academy, says: "Sir Alan Parker is a hugely distinctive film-maker, and a man of uncompromising vision and personality. He has made an immense contribution to the British film industry, receiving a wide range of critical and public acclaim for his writing, producing and directing across almost 40 years of film-making."

"It's almost impossible to highlight any one moment of his career, but the incredible 19 Baftas his films have won indicate the esteem in which he is held by his peers, as well as the outstanding nature of his work."

"I'm delighted that the Academy has taken this opportunity to recognise Sir Alan with the Fellowship this year."

As for the man himself: "When you make your first film, you're sure it will be your last. And then you squeeze your eyes together and suddenly, 40 years later, you're at Bafta getting an award like this. I'm of course enormously flattered and honoured."

As for the rest of the evening's awards, Lincoln leads the way with 10 nominations, followed by *Les Misérables* and *Life of Pi* with nine.

In any other year, Hugh Jackman would be a shoe-in for Best Actor for *Les Mis*, but it would be a surprise if Daniel Day-Lewis didn't beat him to it for his extraordinary turn in Spielberg's biopic of the 14th US president.

Best Actress is far more open, with Jennifer Lawrence (*Silver Linings Playbook*), Emmanuelle Béart (*Amour*) and Jessica Chastain (*Zerø Dark Thirty*) all in with a good chance.

Don't bet against the likes of Skyfall (eight nods), *Argo* (seven) or Anna Karenina (six) doing well either.

It should be an interesting night.



Stephen Fry hosts The British Academy Film Awards, Sunday, BBC1, 9pm

Best of the Rest

MONDAY

Food & Drink

BBC2, 8.30pm

Recently we found out how Mary Berry went from being a slightly posh, polio-stricken Bath schoolgirl to much-loved culinary queen in the two-part documentary *The Mary Berry Story*. Here she's back doing what she does best – demonstrating how to prepare something simply, but well. Mary will be helping presenters Michel Roux and Kate Goodman create the perfect afternoon tea. Food writer William Sitwell is also on hand, making the claim that sliced white bread is the best thing since, well, sliced white bread, and Rachel Khoo, of *The Little Paris Kitchen* fame, is in the French capital to explain why traditional pâtisseries are so special.

Black Mirror

Channel 4, 10pm

Series one of Charlie Brooker's *Twilight Zone*-style strand aired in 2011, and won the Best TV movie/mini-series award at the International Emmys, and a Golden Rose for Best Comedy at the Rose d'Or Television Festival. Season two also looks like must-see TV. The opener centres on young couple Martha (Hayley Atwell) and Ash (Domhnall Gleeson), who move to a remote cottage. He's obsessed with social media, so when Ash tragically dies, a new service capable of using his digital footprint as a basis for further communication gives Martha a chance to continue their relationship. However, problems arise when Ash is recreated in physical form.

TUESDAY

Alex Polizzi: The Fixer

BBC2, 8pm

As a member of the renowned Forte dynasty, Alex Polizzi knows a thing or two about what it takes to keep a family business going, and she's ready to pass on that hard-won wisdom in the second series of *The Fixer*. Over the next few weeks, she'll be turning her expert eye on everything from a beauty salon in Essex to an undertakers in Hampshire, but she starts with East London interiors shop Alf Onnie's, which specialises in fabrics and curtains. The business was established by the siblings' grandfather in the 1920s, but has recently been struggling as the recession and the housing-slump have taken their toll. However, Alex believes the shop's woes can't all be blamed on the economic climate...

Dallas

Channel 5, 9pm

Could foul play be involved in Tommy's disappearance? Christopher (Jesse Metcalfe) thinks so and is desperate to connect Pamela (Julie Gonzalo) to the crime, while she is doing her best to gain control of Ewing Energies. Meanwhile, JR (Larry Hagman) and John Ross (Josh Henderson) will do anything to reclaim their birthright, even if it means turning one family member against another. When a new member of the family turns up at Southfork, Ryland's sadistic games push Ann to the brink.

WEDNESDAY

From the Heart

ITV, 9pm

Strip away all the hullabaloo of Valentine's Day, and the leading lights at ITV are keen to get us thinking about something much more important this week – the benefits of organ donation. Dermot O'Leary hosts this one-off special raising awareness of the NHS Organ Donor Register, and he's roped in a few familiar faces to help him. So step forward Rowan Atkinson, Hugh Laurie, Pixie Lott, Harry Enfield, Paul Whitehouse and some of the cast from *Outnumbered* with comedy and musical offerings. Plus, Jools Holland and his Rhythm and Blues orchestra, McFly and Alexandra Burke perform.

THURSDAY

EastEnders

BBC1, 7.30pm

It's Valentine's Day, and Walford's cutest couple, Abi and Jay, decide to mark the occasion by taking their relationship to the next level. However, the chances of anyone else enjoying a nice, romantic evening are looking pretty slim. Bianca certainly has bigger things than love on her mind as she frogmarches Liam to school, telling him that until he stops playing truant, he's grounded. If that wasn't stressful

enough, she then discovers that the reason the stock she and Kat have been selling on their stall is so cheap is because it's stolen.

Hugh's Fish Fight

Channel 4, 9pm

Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall is back for a new series, but what's that got to do with the price of fish? Well, funny enough, quite a bit actually, and a lot more besides. The chef's made no secret of the fact he wants to do his bit to save our seas, but now his plan is stepping up a gear. With two thirds of the planet's fish stocks overfished, and a fifth of the world's stocks collapsing all together, Hugh wants to persuade governments around the world to set up more marine protected areas. In this first instalment, Hugh heads to the Philippines and investigates how local fishermen dynamite fish, a practice that is destroying fish stocks.

FRIDAY

Sea City

BBC2, 8.30pm

We are an island nation and as such have relied upon the sea for sustenance and transport since time immemorial. These days, our shipbuilding and fishing industries may have declined substantially, but there are still a good many people who make a living on or by the ocean's waves. In this new series, somewhat unexpectedly voiced by John 'Nasty Nick' Altman, we're given a glimpse into the lives of the men and women of Southampton Port – the people who really are keeping Britain afloat, by dealing with over a million cruise passengers and 40 million tons of cargo annually.

Hugh's Fish Fight, Thursday, Channel 4, 9pm

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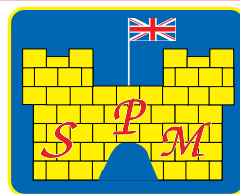


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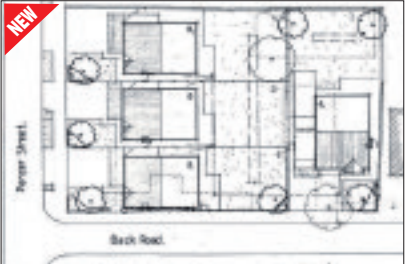
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Wenlock Close, Brownswall Estate

NO UPWARD CHAIN. A traditional, conscientiously maintained, gas centrally heated (combi boiler) & double glazed semi detached set at head of cul de sac upon favoured development. Accommodation includes reception hall, dining room with bay, sitting room with patio doors, under stair cloaks, enlarged kitchen, pantry, three generous bedrooms, bathroom, separate toilet, large (21'2" x 12'5" contractors garage), garden. EPC Rating C. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £151,950



SEDGLEY

South View Road, Northway

An attractive, ENLARGED, gas centrally heated (combi boiler) & uPVC double glazed traditional semi detached in need of some sympathetic updating in favoured district. Accommodation comprises entrance porch, reception hall, lounge with bay, enlarged 17'4" sitting/dining room (with patio doors out to garden), kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, garage, neat gardens & block paved drive. EPC Rating E. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £145,950



Swindon

Winston Road

A LARGE TRADITIONAL SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOME superbly located within the Swindon Village, surrounded by beautiful countryside, providing VERY WELL PROPORTIONED accommodation, comprising: Reception Hall, 20 + full depth Lounge, family Dining Kitchen, THREE LARGE BEDROOMS, Bathroom GAS CENTRAL HEATING and UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING. The property is set beyond the attractive chipped forecourt and, to the rear, enjoying LARGE AND ATTRACTIVELY LANDSCAPED REAR GARDEN. EPC Rating D. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£149,950





KINGSWINFORD

Elmhurst Drive

An IMPRESSIVE MODERN SEMI DETACHED HOUSE which is attractively presented and WELL APPOINTED, including NEW CARPETS throughout and is available with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Comprising: Reception Hall, Large Lounge with Dining Space, Fitted Kitchen with appliances, THREE BEDROOMS and Shower Room. GAS CENTRAL HEATING & UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING. Front Lawn, Landscaped Rear Garden & rear GARAGE. EPC Rating D. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£119,950



UPPER GORNAL

Ox Street

An attractive, tremendously enhanced, significantly improved & particularly stylish, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached set virtually at head of relatively quiet cul de sac. Accommodation includes entrance hallway, lounge with feature 'oak' effect overmantel, refitted breakfast kitchen with a fine range of 'beech' effect units & various integrated appliances, under stair store, two bedrooms, reappointed/re-tiled bathroom with white suite, neat/landscaped gardens & slightly wider than average (11'3") side space offering CONSIDERABLE POTENTIAL. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Price: £116,950



WORDSLEY

Marshall Crescent

An IMPRESSIVE GROUND FLOOR LUXURY APARTMENT only around one year old, providing a contemporary layout of BEAUTIFULLY APPOINTED and GENEROUS accommodation with HEATING and UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING, comprising: Reception Hall, superb Lounge with dining area through to luxury fitted Kitchen with appliances, TWO GOOD BEDROOMS (Master with En-Suite Shower Room) and Bathroom. Surrounded by MAINTAINED GARDENS/GROUNDS including ALLOCATED RESIDENT PARKING and shared visitor parking. EPC Rating C. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£97,950



WOODSIDE

Pedmore Road

This traditional style, double glazed, gas centrally heated, three bedroomed end terrace is conveniently situated for local amenities and may particularly appeal to first time buyers. Accommodation briefly comprise: Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, three good Bedrooms, Bathroom, off road Parking and rear Garden. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

£84,950



GORNAL WOOD

Cinder Road

RARE OPPORTUNITY - EXTENSIVE GARDENS WITH SEPARATE VEHICULAR ACCESS! A distinctive, significantly extended, Freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached with flexible room arrangements, and tremendous possibilities. Set within walking distance of village/fields, and comprising: reception hall, separate dining room, kitchen with an extensive range of 'oak' units, spacious through living room with bay, study, and a utility room. Landing with doors off to bathroom, bedrooms two and three, together with principal bedroom one (communicating through to large fourth double bedroom with shower room en suite). Extensive secluded, expertly tended gardens with additional vehicular access, and former STABLE BLOCK. EPC Rating C. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £259,950



SEDGLEY

High Park Crescent

A tremendously ENLARGED/EXTENDED, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached family residence in highly favoured district that has been 'transformed' by present vendors in recent years. Outstanding accommodation includes reception hall, fitted cloakroom, further store, lounge with bay and 'hole in the wall' feature fireplace, magnificent 27ft. transverse 'hub of the house' dining kitchen with a fine range of units & a brick/uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY off. To the first floor are four generous bedrooms (two with a wide range of fitted units), stylish reappointed bathroom with white suite. Staircase up to a further playroom/office/potential bedroom. Garage, delightful secluded garden. EPC Rating E. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

WAS £259,950, NOW £249,995



SEDGLEY

Dingle View

ENVIABLY SITUATED on periphery of countryside with MAGNIFICENT VIEWS at head of cul-de-sac. Exceptionally well maintained, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed accommodation provides; glazed entrance vestibule, traditional reception hall, lounge, 20 ft dining kitchen with further cupboards, bathroom, two generous bedrooms (one with wardrobe). To the first floor; landing, spacious principal bedroom with wardrobe recess, separate toilet, 'walk through' linen store, and 17 ft boarded/plastered loft space (with window) offering tremendous potential. Large 24'8" x 11'11" garage, gardens to front, side & rear. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £249,950



DUDLEY

Elmstone Close (Off Richborough Drive)

Enjoying TREMENDOUS VIEWS, an OUTSTANDING, significantly EXTENDED, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached that has been 'transformed' by present vendors since construction in 2005 to an exemplary standard. Accommodation entrance vestibule, large well equipped hub of the house breakfast kitchen with a fine range of units & many integrated appliances, fitted cloakroom, 16'2" through dining room (with french doors out to garden) & a sitting room (also with french doors out to garden). Principal bedroom suite (loftly ceiling height) with doors to balcony commanding panoramic views & a dressing room (with potential), three further bedrooms (one with shower room en suite) & stylish house bathroom. DOUBLE BRICK GARAGE & additional parking, large landscaped rear garden. EPC Rating: C. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £232,950



LOWER GORNAL

Cotwall End Road, Straits

An EXTENDED, significantly modernised & improved, Freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached bungalow envably situated upon imposing corner plot overlooking COUNTRY PARK in favoured district. Set within reasonable distance of so many amenities, the superb accommodation includes entrance vestibule, reception hall, two double bedrooms (one with wardrobe), enlarged reappointed bathroom with white suite, excellent lounge through to dining room beyond (with double french doors out to garden), upgraded kitchen. Secluded gardens to side & rear designed to ensure low maintenance & a brick GARAGE with side driveway. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £219,950



LOWER GORNAL

Ruskin Avenue, Straits

An attractive, tremendously enhanced, modernised & improved, freehold, gas centrally heated & primarily uPVC double glazed detached bungalow with PANORAMIC DISTANT VIEWS. Superb accommodation includes entrance vestibule, imposing central reception hall, THREE BEDROOMS (principal bedroom with a fine range of fitted units), refitted/enlarged bathroom with separate shower, cloaks, elegant lounge with living flame feature fireplace, refitted breakfast kitchen with a fine range of 'cream finish' units with various integrated appliances, side vestibule, utility room, landscaped 'low maintenance' secluded rear garden. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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DUDLEY

Ripley Grove

Recently built, exceptionally stylish (former showhome), gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached occupying fine corner plot & covered by remainder of NHBC. Accommodation provides imposing reception hall with spacious fitted cloakroom, through lounge (with double french doors out to garden), good size dining kitchen acting as 'hub of the house' with a fine range of units with many integrated appliances, FOUR BEDROOMS (principal bedroom with built in wardrobes & shower room en suite - built in wardrobes to second bedroom), bathroom with white suite, landscaped garden & brick GARAGE to side. EPC Rating C. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £188,950



LOWER GORNAL

Milton Crescent, Straits

A primarily uPVC double glazed & gas radiator centrally heated, two double bedroom detached bungalow with garage envably situated upon favoured section of 'The Straits' with rear garden abutting onto fields & the golf driving range beyond. Offering further potential, the accommodation includes entrance vestibule, central reception hall, two double bedrooms (principal bedroom with a fine range of fitted units), bathroom, kitchen, pantry, lounge & brick/uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY, garage, sheltered/secluded rear garden. EPC Rating E. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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Enviably situated just off Richborough Drive with PANORAMIC DISTANT VIEWS, this most attractive, stylish, uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated detached family home occupies a corner plot & is in exemplary order throughout. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, guest w.c., kitchen with a fine range of units, transverse lounge/dining room, three good bedrooms (principal bedroom with en suite), shower room, burglar alarm, garage, block paved driveway & a landscaped rear garden. EPC Rating C. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £176,950

COSELEY**Quilter Close**

A uPVC double glazed, gas centrally heated, Freehold, FOUR BEDROOM detached constructed in 2002 in popular/particularly convenient neighbourhood and with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Accommodation provides; reception hall, fitted cloakroom, 17'10" lounge (into bay), dining room, kitchen. FOUR BEDROOMS (one ensuite), bathroom. Garage, block paved drive. Secluded garden. EPC Rating C. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £172,500

SEDGLEY**Wenlock Close, Brownswall Estate**

A tremendously EXTENDED, uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated semi detached enviably situated in favoured cul de sac. Stylish accommodation has been 'transformed' since initial purchase & comprises reception hall, sitting room with bay, dining room, outstanding L-shape breakfast kitchen acting as 'hub of the house' with range. Three bedrooms (one with wardrobes), reappointed/re-tiled bathroom with white suite, garage, garden. EPC Rating E. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £169,950

WOODSETTON**Ratcliffe Close**

A meticulously maintained, freehold, gas radiator centrally heated & either uPVC or aluminium double glazed semi detached presented in exemplary order throughout in favoured cul de sac (where properties are only rarely made available for sale) in popular district. Accommodation includes reception hall, L-shape 24'8" through living/dining room (with patio doors), kitchen; three bedrooms (principal bedroom with an extensive range of fitted units), bathroom, lengthy drive, large garage (incorporating laundry section) & a separate toilet. Delightful, well tended, sheltered rear garden with summer house & shed. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £160,000

LOWER GORNAL**Wordsworth Road, Straits**

An EXTENDED, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached family home in favoured district within walking distance of country park/schools/post office/bus route, etc. Accommodation provides entrance vestibule, reception hall, lounge, dining room with patio doors, kitchen, FOUR BEDROOMS, bathroom, lengthy garage, garden. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £156,950

DUDLEY**St. James Road**

A most attractive, significantly modernised, Freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed traditional semi detached of character in favoured "tree lined" road within walking distance of town centre, and so many amenities. Accommodation includes; imposing reception hall (lofty ceiling heights), 27'4" through living room (formerly separate rooms) with bay, and double French doors to garden, refitted kitchen with a fine range of "beech" effects units, and various integrated appliances, pantry. Three bedrooms, bathroom with a white suite. Secluded rear garden. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £154,950

SEDGLEY**Sandyfields Road**

An Edwardian, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached with potential having many remaining period features & PANORAMIC DISTANT VIEWS set in favoured district within walking distance of country park/schools, etc. Accommodation presently provides entrance vestibule, imposing 24ft reception hall (8'9" ceiling height), lounge with bay (original overmantle), dining room, breakfast room, kitchen, lobby, shower/wet room, Landing (8'11" ceiling height), three bedrooms, bathroom, off road parking to front, lengthy garden. EPC Rating E. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £149,500

WALL HEATH**Victoria Street**

Superbly located within this mature and highly sought after address, only a short distance from the heart of Wall Heath village and its local shops and amenities, this TRADITIONAL BAY FRONTED SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOME requires some updating and improvement, but offers FANTASTIC POTENTIAL to enhance the GENEROUS LAYOUT of accommodation, comprising; entrance porch, reception hall, lounge, separate dining room, kitchen, rear porch, THREE GOOD BEDROOMS, bathroom, GAS CENTRAL HEATING and PART DOUBLE GLAZING. With low maintenance rear garden, LONG DRIVEWAY, WOODEN GARAGE and good sized rear garden. EPC Rating D. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£144,950

NETHERTON**Hockley Lane**

This split level, gas centrally heated, three bedroomed Detached family home now requires sympathetic improvement / upgrading and is situated in an established residential location. Accommodation briefly comprises; Living Room, Dining Kitchen, three good Bedrooms, Bathroom, Garage, Driveway and a generous Rear Garden. Available with NO UPWARD CHAIN. EPC Rating E. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers in the Region Of £134,950

COSELEY**Clifton Street, Hurst Hill**

NO UPWARD CHAIN. This beautifully presented, extended, uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated, three bedroom semi detached home has been conscientiously maintained/improved by the current owners and internal inspection is strongly advised to appreciate the standard of accommodation provided. The property briefly comprises entrance porch, hall, stylish lounge, extended dining kitchen with a fine range of units, utility, CONSERVATORY, three good bedrooms, refitted bathroom with white suite, driveway, garage & a pleasant rear garden. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £133,950

AMBLECOTE**GARAGE AT REAR****Sorrel Walk**

Delightfully situated behind an open green, this WELL ARRANGED AND TASTEFULLY DECORATED, THREE BEDROOM, MODERN SEMI DETACHED FAMILY HOME presents a layout with GAS CENTRAL HEATING AND UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING to briefly comprise; hall, attractive sitting room with defined dining area, splendid refitted kitchen, three first floor bedrooms and bathroom. Fore garden enclosed rear garden and with rear access to garage. NO UPWARD CHAIN. EPC Rating D. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

£124,000

COSELEY**Bridgewater Drive**

This beautifully presented, modern style, extended, uPVC double glazed three bedroomed semi detached home has been conscientiously maintained by the current owners, and is situated at the head of this popular cul-de-sac. The property is well worthy of an internal inspection, and briefly comprises; living room, dining kitchen with a fine range of units, conservatory, study/playroom, guest w.c. Three bedrooms, bathroom with a white suite. Garage, double width driveway, and a low maintenance rear garden. EPC Rating E. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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GORNAL WOOD**Chapel Walk**

RARE OPPORTUNITY! - A significantly enhanced, comparatively spacious, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached bungalow (effectively Flat alternative) enviably situated in particularly secluded/private location within walking distance of the village & all associated amenities. Accommodation includes entrance vestibule, 28'4" through central reception hall with lobby to the rear, two stores, lounge with double french doors to a brick/uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY addition, refitted kitchen with various integrated appliances, double bedroom, reappointed bathroom with white suite, near 'low maintenance' gardens, GARAGE & further parking. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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DUDLEY**Birmingham New Road**

This traditional style, uPVC double glazed (vast majority of units), gas centrally heated three bedroom semi detached home is sure to appeal to both young families, and first time buyers alike. Accommodation briefly comprises; entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, ground floor shower room/utility, conservatory/garden room. Three bedrooms, bathroom. Driveway and a rear garden of good size. EPC Rating E. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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LOWER GORNAL**Bayswater Road**

Conscientiously maintained, modernised & improved, Freehold, gas centrally heated & mostly uPVC double glazed end "starter home" at head of cul-de-sac. Accommodation includes; reception hall, fitted cloakroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen. Three generous bedrooms, bathroom. Possible garage space (8'6" width, and subject to regulations), rear garden. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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WALL HEATH**Blaze Hill Road**

Enjoying DISTANT REAR VIEWS within this popular and established address within Wall Heath Village, this SUCCESSFULLY EXTENDED END TERRACE FAMILY HOME is enhanced by a DRIVEWAY providing OFF-ROAD PARKING to the fore, and has been THOUGHTFULLY ALTERED to now offer a THREE BEDROOM LAYOUT, comprising; Reception Hall, Lounge with Dining Area off, extended kitchen, large shower room, THREE BEDROOMS AND UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING. Set back beyond the lawn and DRIVEWAY to the fore and enjoying a patio / landscaped rear garden. EPC Rating E. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£109,950

UPPER GORNAL**Sunnybank Road**

A significantly modernised, uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated semi detached upon wide plot in popular district. Conscientiously maintained accommodation includes reception hall, 21ft through lounge/dining room, refitted kitchen, three generous bedrooms, bathroom with white suite, outer vestibule with two stores & a separate toilet, off road parking for two vehicles (kerb dropped), neat rear garden. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £109,950

WOODCROSS**Beacon Street**

Situated on periphery of Sedgley (just off Bath Street), a tremendously modernised & improved, Freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed intermediate "starter home" that has been much enhanced by present vendors. Accommodation provides; lounge, transverse refitted breakfast kitchen with a fine range of "cherrywood" effect units with various integrated appliances. Two bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with a white suite. Secluded rear garden, off road parking. EPC Rating D. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £99,950

QUARRY BANK**High Street**

This Victorian style, uPVC double glazed, gas centrally heated two bedroomed detached home is well presented throughout, and is conveniently situated for local amenities. Accommodation briefly comprises; Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen with a fine range of units, Bathroom with white suite, two double Bedrooms and a pleasant, low maintenance rear Garden. EPC Rating E. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

£94,950

COSELEY**Kenelm Road**

NO UPWARD CHAIN. This traditional style, double glazed (majority of units) and gas centrally heated semi detached now requires sympathetic modernisation/improvement yet offers excellent potential. Accommodation briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, driveway & rear garden. EPC Rating E. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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DUDLEY, KINSWINFORD ROAD

- Superb semi detached family home
- Three bedrooms
- Close to Russell Hall hospital
- Splendid lounge, separate dining room
- Fitted kitchen with cooker, bathroom with shower over the bath
- Gas central heating, double glazing
- Delightful rear garden and drive way

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BRIERLEY HILL, FOXDALE DRIVE

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- Superb lounge
- Fitted kitchen with cooker
- Bathroom with shower over the bath
- Electric heating
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AMBLESCOTE, DENNIS STREET

- Superb ground floor apartment
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£239,950

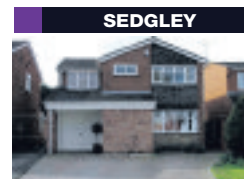


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DUDMASTON WAY

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SEDGLEY

NORTHWAY

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£229,950



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CHARLECOTE DRIVE

A four-bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a guest cloakroom, a lounge, a dining room, a fitted breakfast kitchen, a master bedroom en-suite, three further bedrooms, a family bathroom, UPVC double-glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden. EPC Rating D

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A two bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a guest cloakroom, a lounge, a superb dining kitchen with a comprehensive range of integrated appliances, two double bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating and pleasant gardens. EPC rating B

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£159,950



LOWER GORNAL

DEEPPDALE LANE

A three bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, an elegant reception hall, a through lounge, a dining room, a kitchen, a side verandah, a cellar, three good sized bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a lovely rear garden. EPC rating E

£159,950



SEDGLEY

NORTHWAY

A three-bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, a lounge, a sitting room / dining room, a superb fitted kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double-glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden. EPC rating E

£159,950



SEDGLEY

EAVES COURT DRIVE

A three-bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a lounge, a dining room, a fitted kitchen with open access to the conservatory, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double-glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden. EPC rating D

£157,950



SEDGLEY

PENNS WOOD CLOSE

A three-bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a spacious lounge, a conservatory, a fitted kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double-glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden. EPC rating D

£157,950



SEDGLEY

OTTERSTONE CLOSE

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a lounge, a separate sitting room, a conservatory, a fitted kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three bedrooms, a bathroom, double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a rear garden. EPC rating D

£156,950



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CLENT VIEW

Clent View is a stunning development of brand new two and three-bedroom homes that are situated in a delightful cul-de-sac location adjacent to Buffery Park in Dudley. The Ludlow is a three-bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a guest cloakroom, a living room, a separate dining room, a fitted kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three bedrooms, a bathroom, a driveway and a rear garden. EPC rating B

£146,950



ETTINGSALL PARK

DOVEDALE ROAD

A three-bedroom semi-detached home that would ideally benefit from modernisation and cosmetic improvement to create a family home which briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, a lounge with an archway leading to the dining room/sitting room, a kitchen, three bedrooms, a bathroom, a garage and a good sized rear garden with panoramic views. EPC rating E

£134,950



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HOSPITAL LANE

A three-bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, a dining room, a superb fitted kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three bedrooms, a bathroom, double-glazing, gas fired central heating, a driveway and a delightful rear garden that incorporates a workshop. EPC rating E

£126,950



LOWER GORNAL

RUITON STREET

A three bedroom home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, a spacious dining kitchen, a utility room, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a lovely rear garden. EPC Rating D

£119,950



LOWER GORNAL

SHADWELL DRIVE

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a guest cloakroom, a lounge, a superb dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three double bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a driveway and a pleasant rear garden. EPC rating D

£119,950



UPPER GORNAL

GIDEONS CLOSE

A two-bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a lounge, a dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, two bedrooms, a bathroom, double-glazing, gas fired central heating, a driveway and a rear garden. EPC rating C

£109,950



COSELEY

CHAD ROAD

A three-bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, a lounge, a dining room, a fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double-glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden. EPC rating D

£104,950



ASHDALE PARK

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A 50% shared ownership property that briefly comprises a reception porch, a lounge, a superb fitted dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, two bedrooms, a bathroom, double-glazing, gas fired central heating, a driveway and a rear garden. EPC rating C

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Bagleys Road




A one bed ground floor flat with double glazing, electric panel heating, lounge, kitchen, double bedroom and bathroom/WC with shower over the bath. Off road parking to the side. Unfurnished, available now for long term.

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NETHERTON
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Three bedroom mid terrace. Two reception rooms. Fitted kitchen and utility area. Sun room. Main bedroom with en-suite. Central heating & double glazing. Unfurnished. Available for long term. Dss considered with guarantor.

£495 PCM

DUDLEY
Attingham Drive




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£500 PCM

TIPTON
Tibbington Terrace





A three bedroom detached house with lounge, dining room, kitchen, downstairs wc, upstairs bathroom, garage and garden to the rear. Viewing highly recommended. DSS considered with guarantor.

£550 PCM

TIPTON
Watts Close






A well presented two bedroom semi detached house with lounge, dining room, kitchen, driveway, garage and gardens to the rear

£114,950

TIPTON
Rowland Hill Drive




A three bedroom semi detached modern house with downstairs wc, lounge with dining area, kitchen, upstairs bathroom, driveway and garden to the rear

£119,950

DUDLEY
Blackacre Road





A splendid, one bed studio apartment - fully furnished with cooking facilities. Free broadband, council tax, gas bills and cleaning services included in the rent. Available now. DSS considered with a guarantor.

£395 PCM

DUDLEY
High Street





A selection of two and three bedroom brand new apartments in Dudley town centre. Double glazing and electric heating, open plan lounge/ diner with fitted kitchen off. Good size bedrooms. Viewing highly recommended

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DUDLEY
Maple Road




A recently refurbished 3 bed semi-detached house on a corner plot. Through lounge, fitted kitchen, downstairs bathroom/WC, upstairs having three double bedrooms and a fourth room/store room with further bathroom/WC. Unfurnished, available now. Dss considered with guarantor and good references. No pets.

£550 PCM

HOLLY HALL
Stourbridge Road




A 3/4 bed mid terraced house having two reception rooms, fitted kitchen, downstairs bathroom/WC, upstairs having three double bedrooms and a fourth room/store room with further bathroom/WC. Unfurnished, available now. Dss considered with guarantor. No Pets.

£550 PCM

GORNAL
Brook Street




A three/four bedroom mid terraced house with lounge/dining room, second reception room/4th bedroom, downstairs wc, driveway and garden to the rear with jacuzzi included

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BRIERLEY HILL
Swan Street





A three bedroom semi detached house with lounge, conservatory, kitchen, upstairs bathroom, driveway to the front and garden to the rear

£92,500

DUDLEY
Cardoness Place




A two bedroom mid terraced house in immaculate condition throughout with lounge, dining kitchen, upstairs bathroom, driveway to the front and garden to the rear

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DUDLEY
Stourbridge Road




A one-bedroomed apartment with fitted kitchen, bathroom, secure entryphone system, secure car park to rear for two cars per apartment. Internal inspection vital to appreciate these high quality apartments.

£425 pcm

STOURBRIDGE
Murcroft Road




A first floor, two bed flat, central heating, double glazing, lounge, kitchen and bathroom with shower. Possible parking, yard to front, unfurnished. DSS considered with guarantor.

£450 PCM

DUDLEY
Himley Road



An impressive five bedroom semi detached house set in an elevated position with amazing views. The house briefly comprises of lounge, dining room, third reception room, fitted kitchen, cellar, utility room, shower room, further bathroom on first floor, driveway to the rear, garage and garden

£184,950

TIVIDALE
Hoylake Drive



Located in this highly desirable location this three bedroom detached house briefly comprises of lounge, dining area, fitted kitchen, gardens to the front and rear, driveway and garage.

£164,950

COSELEY
Springvale Close



A beautiful three bedroom mid terraced house with hallway, lounge, kitchen with dining area, upstairs bathroom and gardens to the front and rear. Viewing is highly recommended

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DUDLEY
Haig Road




A three bed mid terraced house with double glazing and central heating. It has a large lounge with separate dining room, fitted kitchen. Unfurnished, available now, no DSS, no pets.

£475 PCM

DUDLEY
Pages Croft




A modern two bedroom ground floor apartment. Having open plan lounge and kitchen area to include built in appliances. Master bedroom with en-suite, bathroom. Secure entry, allocated parking. No DSS, no pets, available now.

£525 PCM

PENSNETT
Bell Street




A spacious three bed end terrace house with large through lounge, front reception room leading to a large dining kitchen, conservatory to rear. Upstairs master bedroom with en-suite shower/WC, separate house bathroom. Unfurnished, good sized garden to rear, off road parking. Available now.

£545 PCM

DUDLEY
Glen Road




Three bedroom end terrace having lounge with gas fire. Fitted kitchen includes range cooker. House bathroom upstairs and downstairs w/c. Unfurnished. Dss considered with guarantor & good references. Small pets considered with larger deposit.

£550 PCM

DUDLEY
The Parade




A three bed semi-detached house with two reception rooms and fitted kitchen. Downstairs bathroom and utility, house bathroom/WC with shower over the bath upstairs. Unfurnished, available now for long term rental. Garage and front and rear gardens. No pets, no DSS.

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DUDLEY
Wrens Nest Road




A three bedroom semi detached house with kitchen/dining room, downstairs cloakroom/WC. Modern family bathroom on first floor. Front garden and good sized garden to rear and side of property with storage. Allocated parking spaces in private, secure car park behind the property. Available now.

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CRADLEY HEATH
High Haden Road



Beautifully presented dormer bungalow. Has large lounge, large fitted kitchen, downstairs bathroom with shower. Two bedrooms on the 1st floor. Central heating & double glazing. Secure basement storage area. Fantastic views to the rear. Driveway for two cars.

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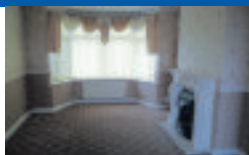
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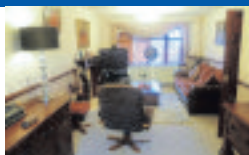
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•Mid Terraced Residence•Two Bedrooms•Lounge•Fitted Kitchen Diner•First Floor Bathroom•Double Glazing Where Stated•Gas Central Heating System•Enclosed Rear Garden

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•An Extended Semi Detached Residence•Three Bedrooms•Through Lounge•Extended Kitchen•Utility Room•Breakfast Room•Ground Floor Cloakroom•Bathroom•Double Glazing Where Stated•Gas Central Heating System•Garage•No Upward Chain

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The Vauxhall Antara has alloy-wheels, roof rails and protective skid plates

BRISTOL Street Motors, is inspiring motorists in Lichfield to embrace the spirit of adventure this year, with a little help from Vauxhall's range of sports utility vehicles (SUV's).

The dealership on Eastern Avenue is proud to offer two SUVs within the manufacturer's extensive product range, the Vauxhall Antara and all new Mokka.

The sturdy, intelligent and powerful Antara combines elegance with practicality and is ideal for those who love to explore new territories. Ready for the active life, the tough yet sophisticated SUV brings together genuine driving excitement and innovative versatility.

Meanwhile, complementing Vauxhall's offering is one of the latest additions to the Vauxhall range; the stunning new Mokka. Offering bold and expressive design alongside advanced driving dynamics and technology, this stylish and versatile five-seater is perfect for those who enjoy an active lifestyle.

Jamie Knaggs, retail operator at Bristol Street Motors, said: "The start of a new year brings opportunities for great adventure, new experiences and a sense of excitement about what lies ahead. With this comprehensive SUV offering, we are keen to inspire members of our community to get out and about in 2013."

Elegant lines and design practicality are enjoyed by Antara drivers who will also benefit from a wealth of features and technologies to ensure a smooth, safe and responsive ride.

Premium

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This year, Action Heart are also allocating up to 100 places for walkers. You will need to indicate on the form if you are a walker and a yellow race number will be sent in your race pack.

Walkers will set off on the five-mile course starting and ending at Russells Hall Hospital, Dudley at 9am with runners going at 9.30.

Action Heart is a registered charity based in Dudley committed to the rehabilitation of patients who have suffered a heart attack, undergone heart surgery or suffer from heart-related illness.

Schedule

Funds raised at this event will be used to develop the service provided at the Action Heart Centre at Russells Hall Hospital.

For those following the schedule, if you find you cannot get out for a run on one of the specific days then do not worry – it can be flexible. Take the rest day early – do not become obsessed with times and distances.

The course has some long uphill pulls and downhill stretches. Adjust your pace uphill to achieve the same energy output as on the flat rather than keep up your speed. Going downhill can be more difficult – again, adjust your speed and don't try to make up for lost time.

The training schedule for the coming week is aimed at building stamina. Remember, finishing is more important than your time.

Each runner who finishes will take away a T-shirt as a memento of the day.

Training: Week six

Monday: Rest

Tuesday: Three-mile jog

Wednesday: Two-mile run

Thursday: Rest

Friday: Three-mile jog

Saturday: Rest

Sunday: Five-mile run

Greenwood out to repay bosses' faith

HEATHENS youngster Dan Greenwood has given the new-look team his seal of approval ahead of the 2013 season.

Greenwood, aged 19, is one of only two survivors after club chiefs had to rip up the table-topping 2012 outfit to get under the 40-point team building limit.

And he believes they've got it right with a combination of raw talent and established National League experience.

He said: "It should be a good side. There is a lot of room for development. Hopefully everyone can settle in quickly and we will all chip in with some points."

"I'm sure Ash (Morris) will make a great captain. He's got a tough job taking over from Adam (Roynon), but I'm sure he can do the job."

"It was tough to lose by only a point last year (on aggregate against Mildenhall in the play-off final).

"So I'm sure me and Ash will be coming back with the rest of the lads to put that behind us and try to win it this time around."

And Greenwood has vowed to repay the faith put in him by the club's bosses.

He said: "It was obviously a tough decision for the manage-

Dudley Heathens

ment when it came to team building this year.

"I'm sure I can improve on last year's average. Whether I start as a heat leader or second string, I want to be a heat leader by the end of year."

"It might be a bit tougher starting in the main body, but I think I was capable of starting there last year."

"With my average I was able to start at reserve but I think I was certainly able to hold my own when I moved up to No.2 and I am

sure I can hold my own again in 2013 be it at two, three or four."

"I've not had any regrets about coming back to the sport or anything after three years out," he added.

"I have come back with a lot more passion for the sport."

"Maybe the only regret is that maybe a few people that I have been racing against before have a three-year advantage over me."

"I just want to make that back as quickly as I can and hopefully I can carry on doing that at Dudley."

Tickets are currently on sale for the season launch party at Cradley Heath Liberal Club on Friday,

March 1. All the 2013 Heathens will be introduced on stage and presented with their race jackets.

There will be photograph and autograph opportunities, as well as a disco afterwards with club presenter Ian Jones.

The event, which includes a raffle and auction, is expected to be a sell-out.

Tickets are available from the online club shop at dudleyheathens.co or by calling HSSC on 07766 745681.

Tickets are £3 HSSC members and £5 non-members with all money raised going to the riders direct.

Dale edge clash after lay-off due to weather

Coventry Sphinx 1 Tividale 2
TIVIDALE edged this Midlands Football Alliance clash showing no effects from a month-long lay-off due to the weather.

Kyle Hill and Kyle Brady, caused most problems but on eight minutes the Sphinx defence were unable to clear a Richard Taylor effort and Matt Jukes lashed home.

Sphinx keeper Carl O'Neill produced great saves as, apart from the odd long-range effort, Sphinx never showed much in attack.

Young Luke Stevens, making his debut since returning from Bustleholme, had little to do until the 42nd minute, when he smothered an effort from Matt Bannister.

Sphinx put the ball in the net but the referee mystified most by failing to play advantage and awarding Sphinx a free-kick.

The second half saw Tividale get a second as a Hill free-kick sailed over everyone to the back post for Brady to fire into the bottom corner on 47 minutes.

On 63 minutes Sphinx's Ricky Cutting shot went in off the post. The win puts Dale sixth in the table ahead of a home game against Bridgnorth on Saturday.

Lye go top as Kalum's goals count

AFC Wulfrunians 0 Lye Town 2
TWO late Kalum Evitts goals helped Lye Town top the West Midlands Premier table with a win over challengers AFC Wulfrunians.

It maintained a 100 per cent away league record and was Wulfs' first Premier defeat since November.

Most of the first half was contested in the middle but Lye lost keeper Danny Watson to injury, and he was replaced by Charles Price.

Wulfrunians sent on Tom Piggot for Thompson at the start of the second half but Lye substitute Chris Russell turned the game.

A minute after Evitts had a goal disallowed, the substitute's fine run set up the striker for a calm finish.

AFC threw everything into a final attack but a corner was cleared and Evitts' solo run ended with him curling the ball over Tipton's head and into the back of the net, via the bar.

Heavy defeat for DK as poor away form goes on

Preston Grasshoppers 36 Dudley Kingswinford 7
DUDLEY KINGSWINFORM continued their poor away form with a heavy defeat.

A lacklustre National League Two North performance began badly as Jon Higgins got a thigh strain in the warm-up, although he played. The referee's interpretation at the ruck also saw DK repeatedly penalised.

After a scrum, Preston No.8 Conor Murphy broke from the base and the ball was worked to prop Andy Irving who forced his way over for a try converted by Sean Taylor.

In the 17th minute, after a lineout on the DK 22m line the Preston backs moved the ball slickly before it was worked back inside to No.8 Murphy to score. Shaun Taylor added the two points.

DK passed for Watkins to score and Jon Higgins converted but, after a poor kick out of defence by DK from the re-start, Preston ran the ball back and Karl Fitzpatrick crossed to score.

Flattened

Shaun Taylor failed to add points. On 33 minutes DK's Joe Carpenter was flattened and did not recover.

Three minutes later, Jon Higgins left the field after struggling on with the warm-up injury. He was replaced by Jimmy Gore.

A shuffle in the backs saw Matt Farrington at fly-half with Ian Gowland at full-back and Chris Perry going to the wing to make way for Jimmy Gore in the centre.

DK started the second half with Richard Kelly replacing Aaron Hudson in the front row and Joe Carpenter replaced by Tom Leach.

They knocked on inside their own 22 and Preston's

Dudley Kingswinford

Matt Hughes scored in the first minute. The conversion was unsuccessful.

In the 60th minute DK replaced Shaun Griffiths with Nick Murphy and Matt Humphries with Jimmy Parkes. DK, penalised three times without a yellow card, saw Preston scrummage.

After a DK scrum Preston were penalised and Matt Farring cleared but from a penalty 20 metres out Preston kicked successfully.

On 64 minutes, from a resulting lineout a maul was worked towards the DK line and replacement scrum half Sam Kindred scored. Shaun Taylor added the extra.

On 73 minutes Gowland caught just outside the DK 22 metre line but passed to Preston's Adam Birchall who ran through poor tackles to score. Shaun Taylor did not convert.

For the final minutes DK had their best play.



So close – Josh Watkins almost gets a try but has a foot in touch



Chris Perry (top) and Jon Higgins halt Sean Long



Stefan Shillingford keeps his eyes on a would-be tackler



Watkins gets over this time to register DK's only try



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Nicked goal hits push for the top

Stourbridge Town 0 Bedford 1

THE Glassboys' promotion push suffered a setback as a second-half goal from Nick Beasant was enough to give the visitors victory and also complete a league double over Gary Hackett's men.

Buoyed by three successive Evo-Stik Southern Premier wins, Stourbridge attacked from the start and in the second minute Sean Evans poked a low shot straight at Eagles keeper Ian Brown.

A minute later a rasping 30-yard drive from Jordan Fitzpatrick flew inches wide of Brown's right-hand post. Bedford thought they had taken the lead on five minutes but it was ruled out for offside.

Stourbridge continued to make more of the running and in the 15th minute a ball forward by Nathan Bennett was taken down well by Luke Benbow but Brown saved his angled low shot.

Sixteen minutes later Sean Geddes went close from a free-kick.

Three minutes before the break a Bedford corner was cleared by Jamie Oliver who found Ben Billingham.

He fed Drew Canavan, who squared to Benbow but again Brown saved his shot.

The visitors grew stronger after the break and they struck a decisive blow in the 62nd minute when Will Green slipped a measured pass through the heart of the home defence for Beasant to score.

Robins move into last four

Dudley Town 1 Dudley Sports 0

DUDLEY TOWN marched into the semi-final of the Birmingham Midweek Floodlit Cup with what in the end was a comfortable victory over local rivals Dudley Sports.

The Robins, in their first outing since January 5, looked a little rusty but carved out the best chance of the first half when Geoff Hill's fierce shot struck Sam Pearson's crossbar.

Sports were reduced to 10 men halfway through the second half and Town began to take the game to them.

But there were only 12 minutes left when Richard Langford stole in to tuck home a loose ball for the game's only goal.

The Robins had chances to extend their lead with Dreniz Bala and Nikki Faux both going close.



Goalscorer Chris Rabone on the ball for Gornal Athletic



Kristian Green in possession as Gornal move forward



Marvin Nisbett misses out as Wisbech head clear

PROUD PEACOCKS' FIGHTBACK GLORY

GORNAL ATHLETIC'S Wembley dream lives on after they mounted a stunning comeback in the FA Vase.

The Peacocks came from behind against Wisbech Town to clinch a 4-2 win in extra time.

Athletic recovered from an early two-goal deficit to march into the last 16 with goals from Lee Wherton, Chris Rabone, Calum Martin and Marvin Nisbett in front of a bumper crowd of 270 at the Garden Walk Stadium.

Victory secured them a trip to Cornwall side Bodmin Town this Saturday with a place in the quarter-finals at stake.

Gornal also earned another £2,000 in FA prize money to take their earnings to £6,800 so far – with another £2,500 up for grabs this weekend.

Gornal boss Ian Rowe said: "For a club like us to reach the last 16 is superb."

Dreams of further progress seemed a long way off after Gornal fell 2-0 down after just six minutes.

Change

A goalkeeping error by Matt Martin saw Wisbech go ahead with a freak goal.

Martin drilled the ball against Wisbech striker Deakan Napier, who was then able to roll it into the unguarded net.

Four minutes later, Dubi Ogbonna made it 2-0. The Wisbech man beat two players before slotting the ball home.

Rowe changed things at the break, taking off midfielder Gurdip Wilkill and bringing on Matt Wheyman on the right wing.

He also opted to push Martin up front.

And the move started to pay dividends swiftly as Wherton halved the deficit from the penalty spot in the 56th minute after left-

by Tim Nash

winger Rabone was fouled. He hit the equaliser on 72 minutes with a superb strike from 25 yards which found the top corner of the net.

Gornal piled on the pressure in the last 20 minutes, Wheyman hitting the bar while Curtis Tilt forced the Wisbech keeper into an outstanding save.

But they had to settle for extra-time – and the tie tipped further in the Peacocks' favour in the first period when Wisbech's Steven Reid was sent off after receiving two yellow cards.

Gornal went ahead for the first time in the 100th minute when Martin met Kristian Green's cross on the run after the latter had beaten three players.

And Nisbett had Gornal in dreamland with two minutes of the tie remaining.

Wheyman's shot hit the keeper and Nisbett found the net with a looping header from the rebound.

Walsall Wood's fourth round Vase clash against Hanworth Villa, from the London borough of Hounslow, was postponed for the third time.

Wood try to stage the tie again this Saturday.



Marvin Nisbett, who grabbed the last goal of the tie at the Garden Walk Stadium, hurls himself into a challenge

Ten-men Town dig in to take the points

Dunkirk 1 Tipton Town 2

TIPTON TOWN overcame Nottingham-based Dunkirk with a fully committed team performance as every player rose to the occasion.

Dunkirk's aggressive, but effective, style had Tipton on the back foot early on, keeper Jack Hayfield twice starting with smart saves.

After Nathan Waite and Danny Dubidat had made the home side somewhat more wary with good strikes, the visitors took a 10th-minute lead through influential skipper Tom Tonks.

A splendid interception by Lewis Haycock in the 13th minute nullified a dangerous break by Dunkirk's Jack Hopper and shortly afterwards Will Coutts curled an effort over Hayfield's crossbar.

Tipton's cause was made far more difficult in the 61st minute when defender Paul Henley was red-carded for retaliation after being fouled by Bradley Wells.

But they rocked the home side with a second goal three minutes later. Lewis Haycock's speculative lob completely deceiving home keeper Daniel Dobbie.

Dunkirk reduced the arrears in the 71st minute when substitute Alex Elikor drove his shot past the exposed Hayfield.

Five minutes later, Dunkirk blew a great opportunity to tie up the scores when Coutts blazed his shot over the top from close in.

Dunkirk were now in full cry, another telling cross being headed thankfully behind by Tonks. Elikor allowed heart to rule head in the 88th minute when he fired wildly over the top.

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